

Proceedings of Cantonment Board ordinary meeting held on 18-01-2017 at 1130 hrs. in the office of Cantonment Board, Ahmedabad – 4.

Members present

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| 1. Brig.H K Pokhariyal | - President |
| 2. Pathan Aiyubkhan Sariyakhn | - Vice President |
| 3. Shri Stephen P.D. | - Member Secretary |
| 4. Brig.N.S.Narain | - Health Officer(S.E.M.O.) |
| 5. Col. Devendra Singh | - Nominated Member |
| 6. Col. C S Pathania | - Nominated Member |
| 7. Maj.V J Paite | - Garrison Engineer(MES) |
| 8. Pareek Rekhaben Nareshbhai | - Elected Member |
| 9. Sonvane Sunil Ramchandra | - Elected Member |
| 10. Rajput Sumersingh Devisingh | - Elected Member |
| 11. Pathan Mahmad Salim Sariyakhn | - Elected Member |
| 12. Pathan Sirinbanu Mahmad Salim | - Elected Member |
| 13. Shri Ganesh Girishbhai Ramchandrabhai | - Elected Member |

Members not present

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| 1. Smt.Avantika Singh Aulakh, IAS | - District Magistrate |
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Special Invitees not present

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| 1. Hon'ble Shri Paresh Rawal(M.P.) | - Special Invitee |
| 2. Hon'ble Dr.Nirmalaben S.Wadhvani(MLA) | - Special Invitee |

Agenda no.1

Hiring the services of Shri N J Patel, Sr.Auditor(Retd. from LAO, Ahmedabad)

Ref : (i) CBR no.03 dt.12-07-2016 &

(ii) Willingness letter from Shri N J Patel, Retired Auditor from LAO(B), in this regard.

It is brought to the notice of the Board the the services of Shri N J Patel, Retired Auditor from LAO(B), Ahmedabad were hired by the Board vide above referred CBR for a period of six months and the period of engagement shall expire on 31-01-2017 and in this regard the Accounts branch projected their requirement for an experienced individual for clerical nature of works related to Accounts branch. In this connection this office had already temporarily hired the services of Shri N J Patel, Retired Sr.Auditor from LAO, Ahmedabad office, on contractual basis on a fixed remuneration of Rs.15,000/- per month. As per above referred report from Accounts branch Shri N J Patel had satisfactorily assisted the Accounts branch in finalizataion of many pending works viz. related to Conservancy Agreement, Pension cases etc.

Shri N J Patel vide his willingness letter informed that the period of his engagement on temporary basis is about to expire on 31-01-2017. It is brought to the notice of Board that his engagement may be renewed for the period of 06 months considering the pendency of works in the Accounts section.

In this connection all relevant papers placed on table for consideration and decision by the Board.

Res.no.1

Hiring the services of Shri N J Patel, Sr.Auditor(Retd. from LAO, Ahmedabad)

CEO briefed the Board regarding the requirement projected by Acctt. branch whereby the Board considered that as the period of engagement of the individual is about to expire on 31-01-2017 the individual should be re-hired from 03-02-2017 on same terms & conditions.

Further unanimously resolved that Shri N J Patel, retired Sr.Auditor from LAO(B), should be re-engaged for a period of six months w.e.f.03-02-2017 @ Rs.15000/- remuneration per month. Further Board unanimously authorised the CEO to issue letter to Shri N J Patel in this regard and incur necessary expenditure after the re-engagement.

Agenda no.2

Estimates for the misc. public improvement works

Reference : Various letters from Vice-President and EMs in this regard.

It is brought to the notice of the Board that there was a requirement for carrying out the following maintenance works desired by Vice President & elected members. In this connection the Engg. branch of this office has prepared the estimates of the following work which are as under :-

Sr. No.	Description of works	Estimates amount
1	Repairing and addition, alteration & modification work of existing footpath of remaining portion nr.TCP No.1 (Hira Marg) and also providing paver blocks on pavements in open patch between the existing footpath on Hira Marg including misc. connected works.	Rs.5,80,000/-
2	Repairing and addition, alteration & modification work of existing footpath on Cantt. Board office road.	Rs.12,02,300/-
3	Repairing and addition, alteration & modification work of existing roadside pavement work on Sadar bazaar main road part portion i.e. from house no.33 to 55 on both sides of road	9,72,400/-
4	Raising / modification to existing Cantt. Board compound wall (pt. portion) on roadside outside TCP no.IV	2,60,000/-
5	Repairing of existing underground tank & providing electrification work of one gents group latrine unit and one ladies group latrine unit of Macchi Bazar area including connected works	Rs.1,15,500/-
6	Repairing of existing underground tank & providing electrification work of one ladies group latrine unit at Rabarivas area including connected works	Rs.60,500/-
7	Repairing of existing underground tank & providing electrification work of one gents group latrine unit at Vankarvas area including connected works	60,500/-

In this connection the estimates alongwith relevant papers in file placed on table for consideration and approval by the Board.

Res.no.2

Estimates for misc. improvement and drainage works

CEO briefed the Board regarding the agenda point whereby the Board considered and unanimously approved the estimates from Sr.no.1 to 3 as mentioned at the agenda side and further unanimously resolved to authorised the CEO to issue work order under Annual Term contract for misc. improvement works for execution of subject works and incur necessary expenditure in this regard.

During the discussion on Sr.no.3 to 5 the PCB desired that the overhead tanks should be made of either RCC or steel tanks be installed on over head of group toilets as staging as they would last longer and would be durable. PCB also suggested for making the toilets water borne and the taps to be fitted should be push button type to avoid the wastage of water. The Board agreed with the suggestion and resolved to implement the same.

After a brief discussion Board approved the estimates from Sr.no.4 to 6 as mentioned at the agenda side and further unanimously resolved to authorised the CEO to issue work order under Annual Term contract for buildings for execution of subject works and incur necessary expenditure in this regard.

Supplementary items with permission of chair

Agenda no.3

Various letters received regarding different subjects

- (a) Illegal staying by civilian fraudster inside Cantonment area
- (b) Unauthorised works on Army Cantonment land
- (c) Cancellation of outsourcing contract of M/s.Khodiya Enterprise, Mehsana and discontinuation of services of the firm due to non-satisfactory work.

In this connection the letters are placed before Board.

Res.no.3

Various letters received regarding different subjects

- (a) Regarding illegal staying by civilian fraudster inside Cantonment area

CEO readout the letter dt.nil received vide covering letter from SHQ vide their letter no.Gen/Q4(L) dt.27-12-2016 for the subject matter with the permission of the PCB after which the PCB expressed his views that every member whether nominated, ex-officio or elected members should be careful regarding their public conduct as their actions if inappropriate may defame the Board and hence they are accountable for both their personal behavior and conduct in their public behaviour.

PCB stated that a reply after proper investigation in response to the letter should be forwarded to the Station Headquarters in this regard.

(b) Regarding unauthorised works on Army Cantonment land

The subject letter no.nil dt.nil of Shri Sunil R.Sonwane, Member of Cantonment Board received vide covering letter of SHQ vide their letter no.Gen/Q4(L) dt.28-12-2016 was readout with the permission of the PCB. Thereafter Shri Sunil Sonwane, EM admitted that the letter has been written on his letter pad but does not bear his signature as he never wrote any such letter. However, on the recommendation of Shri Girishbhai Ganesh, EM he had handed over his blank letter pad to a resident individual staying in Sadar Bazar named Shri Hitesh Chauhan for putting in writing regarding an issue related to public hardship regarding some work and the letter pad was supposed to be returned back to him for his signature for addressing the public problem before the appropriate authority however the letter pad was being misused by making a false complaint in his name on his letter pad, without his knowledge and approval.

CEO briefed the PCB that this individual who is said to have misused the letter pad should be called before the Board and the Board agreed that the individual may be called before the Board for giving his explanation.

(c) Regarding cancellation of outsourcing contract of M/s.Khodiya Enterprise, Mehsana and discontinuation of services of the firm due to non-satisfactory work.

CEO read out the letter dt.10-01-2017 from Shri Sunil Sonwane bearing his signature and signature of some other elected members also, before the Board with the permission of the PCB and thereafter Shri Sunil Sonwane, EM stated that the firm is not disbursing the monthly remuneration in time to the outsourced staff engaged in service of Ahmedabad Cantt. Board. Shri Girish Ganesh, EM also supported the same stating that the salary paid is on the lesser side than committed on paper. Shri Ayubkhan S.Pathan, VP also stated that the manpower deployed on ground is always less than agreed as per agreement. Further Shri Ayubkhan S.Pathan stated that there are 20 outsourced staff in sanitary services deployed in Army area and only ten persons deployed in civil area.

The other elected members also alleged poor sanitary services due to the lesser staff being deployed by the outsourced agency i.e. M/s.Khodiya Enterprise, Mehsana. Col.Devendrasingh, NM stated that the members can keep a check on the attendance, time in order to check the attendance of outsourced staff and the EMs should spare time for this and also agreed to make a random check in this regard.

Further the other elected members also opined that the services of the agency should be terminated and the method of engagement of outsourced staff on contractual basis should be re-started as per standard practice prevailing three years ago before the practice of hiring an agency for outsourcing staff came into existence. Elected members further expressed their feeling that the practice of outsourcing the staff has not benefited the office nor the outsourced staff and therefore this practice should be discontinued. The nominated members asked who will be responsible for looking after the contractual engagement of the staff and in response the elected members replied that the Sanitary department has to look after the procedure hiring of the staff on contractual basis as per their previous practice.

Col.Pathania, NM stated that it is easier for the Cantt. Board to deal with only one person i.e. agency instead of so many people which is a lesser burden for Cantt. Board. Col.Devendrasingh, NM also stated that presently these issues are between the agency and its outsourced staff and Cantt. Board is not directly concerned with that as it is concerned only with the satisfactory execution of work and if the staff of the agency is dissatisfied with the firm then they may themselves approach the Labor Court in this regard and so he feels that the matter is irrelevant to Ahmedabad Cantt. Board.

GENERAL DISCUSSIONS

1. CEO informed the elected members that inspite of publishing a public notice for general public for removal of household articles, unserviceable items from roadsides and clearing the pavements and roadsides, the public is still not following the instructions / orders and therefore this office shall take / initiate action after 30th & 31st January 2017 against the general public disobeying the instructions published in the public notice issued in this regard.
2. The CEO pointed out that it has come to his knowledge that waste is being dumped on the open ground beside the open ground nr. the Cantt. Board quarters nr. the Cantt. Board community hall and therefore he shall take a round to check whether such activity is going on or not. If such activity is found to be carried out then actions against such persons / individuals shall be initiated.
3. Shri Girish R.Ganesh, EM requested for considering the work of Rabarivas footpath and provision / improvement of water supply at Sabarmati Kunj staff quarters at Sadar Bazar.
4. Shri Salimkhan Pathan, EM and Smt.Sirinbanu S.Pathan, EM requested for making provision of street lights on road bumps on Airport road for safety of vehicular traffic and public safety during the night hours. After brief discussion Board authorized CEO for installation of additional street lights & misc. work and authorized CEO for incurring necessary expenditure.
5. Shri Sumersingh Rajput, EM gave a letter asking the reasons for the Board going for retendering in connection to the agenda item/s no.12 in Cantt. Board proceedings dt.10-12-2016. CEO stated that the reply shall be given in writing to him.
6. PCB expressed his pleasure that the Vice President had desired for installation of 10 nos. of dustbins against which the Board had installed 30 nos. of dustbins on donation basis from the Punjab National Bank authorities.
7. CEO briefed the Board regarding the mini-marathon to be organized by Ahmedabad Cantt. Board and also appealed the members for bringing participants for the subject event for making it a success and further CEO invited all the elected members and other members for attending the event and participating in the same. Col.Devendrasingh, NM suggested that the elected members should spread awareness among the general public for encouraging participation in the said event. Shri Ayubkhan S.Pathan, VP stated that he is ready to contribute the 600 nos. of mineral water / lemon juice bottles on the day of event for participants / guests / audience.

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Chief Executive Officer
Ahmedabad Cantt. Board.
Dt : 18-01-2017

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(Brig.H K Pokhariyal)
President
Ahmedabad Cantt. Board.
Dt.: 18-01-2017.