

UNAPPROVED

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 7, 2021

This meeting was called to order by Zeke Goodband at 7:00 pm via Zoom online conferencing in Dummerston, Vermont.

Members present: Zeke Goodband, Maria Glabach, Terry Chapman, David Baxendale, Rebecca Lotka

Members absent: None

Also present: Jody & Paul Normandeau, Lee Chamberlin, Rich Melanson - BCTV

Minutes:

On a motion by David and second from Terry the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from March 24, 2021.

Warrants:

On a motion by Terry and second from David the Board voted 5-0 to approve the payment of warrants 21, 21P, Reappraisal Fund #6 & Capital Fund #5.

Public Comments:

Paul Normandeau asked the Board to consider putting the meeting notification in the Reformer.

Road Foreman's Report:

Only one bid was received to replace the 2012 Truck.

On a motion by Maria and second from Terry the Board voted 5-0 to award the 2022 Western Star truck bid to L & B Truck in Westminster for net price of \$155,179.00 with trade.

Paul Normandeau wanted to make sure any excess funds remained in the Capital Fund.

Historically, all excess funds will remain in the fund. Lee did add that winter tires/rims and possibly a radio will still need to be purchased using the monies allocated in the Capital Fund.

Three paving bids were received. Allstate was the lowest. Lee has used them the past few years and has been happy with the work. Paving will take place sometime in May or June. The section of East-West Road from Dummerston Center to Schoolhouse Road will be done.

On a motion by Terry and second from Maria the Board voted 5-0 to award the paving bid to Allstate Construction at \$71.90 per ton and milling \$1.70 per square yard.

The Board received a letter from Jody Normandeau concerning erosion on Middle Road. Lee stated he is aware of it and monitoring it. However, it is not in the top ten on his list. Lee felt it was going to require a private contractor to make the needed repairs. Zeke asked how long it would be before the necessary repairs could be done instead of short term fixes.

It was the consensus of the Board that it should be moved up the list and addressed sooner. Lee will get prices and see what the options are.

Correspondence for Information: None

Correspondence for Discussion and/or Action:

Zeke completed the Town Health Officer Survey and submitted it.

WRC Planning for ARPA funds – Terry explained that this is federal funds received by the State to distribute to municipalities and must be spent by 2024. Webinars have not started yet with the guidance needed as to the details on how and on what the funds can be used for.

New Business:

One bid was received for \$10,080.00 to complete the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) update. The federal share will be \$7,612.50 and the Town matching will be \$2,537.50.

On a motion by Maria and second from Terry the Board voted 5-0 to award the LHMP bid to Windham Regional Commission.

Terry attended the Zoom meeting with the Sheriff's Dept. regarding animal control. Dummerston still has the option to join as a case by case incident. However, the Town's ordinance should be reviewed and updated. Terry and Rebecca will work on an update proposal for the Board.

SB Assistant advertising:

Social Media – Rebecca

Ads in papers – Maria will check with Laurie

Sandwich Board on the Common – Maria will check with Laurie

Views – Zeke

Dummerston Community Facebook – Jody Normandeau volunteer to post

Last fall during budget discussions, the Board talked about looking into health insurance options and prices. David will start the process of looking into options.

On a motion by Terry and second from David the Board voted 5-0 to approve signing the Short Form Contracts with Castine Property Maintenance and Vermouth Computers. This for a Workers Compensation audit. Terry will sign and send to Charlotte.

The Board received a letter regarding a mold issue at a rental house. Zeke recommended to contact the VT Dept. of Health for guidance. Zeke contacted the State and was referred to their legal department. May have an update for next meeting.

Unfinished Business: None

There being no other business to come before the Board, Maria made the motion and second from David, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Approved

Zeke Goodband, Chair

Terry Chapman, Vice Chair

Submitted by Maria Glabach, Clerk