

TOWN OF WESTON
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SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 14, 2020 7:30 PM

PRESENT: Denis Benson, Jim Linville, Ann Fuji'i, Charles ("Tim") Goodwin, Bruce Downer

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC: Almon Crandall, Kim Seymour, Bruce Frauman (Chester Telegraph)

Denis Benson, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

1. Any Requested Changes to the Agenda:

- *Excess Weight Permit (David Chaves)* Motion to approve both Chaves and Crandall made by Ann Fuji'i and 2nd by Jim Linville; unanimously approved. Ann Fuji'i also advised that Trout Club would be getting deliveries of trout in the coming weeks and wants to ensure that the weight of the trucks will not be an issue with the culvert on Trout Club Road. Almon Crandall asked that she let him know the day(s) before delivery so he can check the culvert.

- *Paving Bids* Bids opened by Denis Benson and amounts given:

Wilks: Total \$347,239: Chester Mtn. \$202,277 LHR \$138,137 Sales \$6,825

Pike: Total \$342,337: Chester Mtn. \$197,273 LHR \$145,064

Bazin: Total \$336,745: Chester Mtn. \$206,965 LHR \$129,780

Fuller: Total \$290,539: Chester Mtn. \$196,105 LHR \$94,434

Discussion on how to proceed since normally all bids would be reviewed by the State before selecting final vendor; question on if there are any savings by tying into Andover paving project using Fuller: Motion by Ann Fuji'i with 2nd by Jim Linville to have Almon Crandall, Road Foreman review the bid from Fuller and if comfortable with the information provided, the Selectboard approves accepting the Fuller bid. Unanimously approved.

- *Sign Contract for Stantec* Motion by Tim Goodwin to approved contract and have it signed by Denis Benson with 2nd by Jim Linville. Approved Unanimously.

2. Public Comment None

3. Paving Bids: Bazin, Fuller, Pike, Wilk See #1

4. Excess Weight Permit See #1

- *Crandall Logging*
- *David Chaves*

5. Speed Limit in Village Discussion on various options: borrowing speed cart, borrowing radar gun, putting up caution signs regarding pedestrians; and whether this is the best time for it to be effective. Tim Goodwin and Bruce Downer will investigate availability of speed signs, associated costs (if any) for use, and whether information is recorded.

6. SB Admin Assistant Candidate To be discussed under #13 – Executive Session

7. COVID-19 / Governor Scott's directives Discussion on issues surrounding the stay-at-home order, small businesses being open vs. large stores, and landscapers being out working in groups. Selectboard has no enforcement power and can only pass on complaints.

8. LEMP Update – Local Emergency Management Plan and Training Kim Seymour will make changes: in places where previously handled by Selectboard Admin Assistant, insert TBD. Update ***Other Local Resources*** to remove St. Pierre, add Ameden Construction and Renaud for Sand/Gravel per Almon Crandall. ICS training scheduled as a webinar April 21, 2020 through WRC. Tim Goodwin and Ann Fuji'i will attend; Kim will sign them up and give them the details. EMD position needs filled by end of May 2020 to replace Birgit Sutter-Davis who resigned earlier in the year; no candidates were offered yet.

9. Little School Water Testing

- *Sign Stantec Contract* See #1

10. Review and Approve Minutes

- March 24, 2020 One change requested to minutes by Tim Goodwin; Kim Seymour will update. Motion by Jim Linville to approved minutes as revised; 2nd by Tim Goodwin and unanimously approved.

11. SO #8 Payroll, SO #8 Vendors Jim Linville moved to approve the Payroll Order #8 in the amount of \$6,347.34 with 2nd by Bruce Downer. Unanimously approved. Jim Linville moved to approve the Vendor Order #8 in the amount of \$28,608.07 with 2nd by Bruce Downer. Unanimously approved.

12. New & Old Business

- **Signing Documents during Stay-at-Home Order** Motion to approve one signature on documents during shut down by Tim Goodwin with 2nd by Jim Linville. Unanimously approved.

- **Hanging Folders** Motion by Jim Linville with 2nd by Tim Goodwin to give Will Goodwin our excess hanging folders for use in other towns. Unanimously approved.
- **Floor refinishing** Motion by Jim Linville with 2nd by Ann Fuji'i to proceed with having the floors refinished as budgeted on timeframe suggested by Kim Seymour (close Friday-Monday). Unanimously approved.

13. Adjourn Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm to enter into Executive Session for discussion of compensation package and hiring discussion.

14. Executive Session

- **1 VSA §313(a)(3)**
- Moved by Denis Benson to hire Natalie Bell Boston to become the new Selectboard Administrative Assistant as soon as she can start. Compensation at the budgeted amounts. Jim Linville seconds. Approved unanimously.

Moved by Tim Goodwin to increase the compensation of Deb Moser to the same level as the SBAA. Seconded by Jim Linville. Yea: Tim Goodwin, Bruce Downer. Abstain: Annie Fuji'i. Motion carries.

Weston Selectboard:

Denis Benson, Chair

Jim Linville, Vice Chair

Anne Fuji'i, Secretary

Bruce Downer

Charles Goodwin