

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
SELECTBOARD / SEWER COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

August 22, 2023 DRAFT

Location: 45 Southgate Loop – Selectboard Room

Present: William O. Young-Chairman, George Spear - Vice-Chair, Stephen S. Tarleton – Road Commissioner (Board), Melissa Spear-Treasurer, Victoria Young – Administrative Assistant

Visitors: Linda O’Neil, Pauline Carr, John & Jean Garren, Greg Robinson, Gloria Martin, Tammy Wardwell & Nancy Robinson

Zoom: Diane Martin, Tom Ayers - Vermont Standard, Dennis & Joan Wideman

Call to Order: William called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

- ** Additions/Changes to Agenda:
- Sam Carr- Highway Permit- Notice to Proceed – William signed the NTP – Vicky will mail to Sam.
- Pete Fellowes TRORPC – Amendment to extend the completion date of the Design Contract between The Town of Bridgewater and DuBois & King Inc. Dated November 18th, 2020. The contract requirements are extended to December 31st, 2025. William signed Amendment #1 for DuBois & King Inc. for the Salt Shed Project.

Organization/Discussion: None

Review & Award Bids: The Board had four bids from Markowski Excavating Inc:

1. Site #1- River RD
2. Site #2 –River RD
3. Site #4 – Daily Hollow RD
4. Site # 5 – Fancher RD

The Board also had a bid from Barnard Excavating & Logging- Stephen Johnson for the bank slide before Gorge RD on the Daily Hollow RD. His bid included materials.

After reviewing the Bids - The Board decided to table the bids because they did not all include materials, and the Board would like all bids going forward to include materials. William made a motion to table these bids until next week (29th) seconded by Steve. Motion passed.

Bid from Olmstead Property Services, LLC – Wayside Road – Slides 1,2,3,4,5,6 & Wayside Ext. RD - Slide #7 - Total Bid \$73,200.00. This bid included materials.

William made a motion to accept the bid from Olmstead Property Services LLC, seconded by George. Motion passed.

Steve has found a couple of crushers – one guy is a month out – Kevin Grasset from Petersboro NH – will charge \$3,000. to move in here – will bring loader, excavator & crusher -1 ¼” Stone at \$6.25 /yd &

¾" Stone at \$6.35 /yd. He can be here in two weeks. Another guy- D&D Excavating would only bring his crusher –we would have to supply a loader and excavator. Approximately 8,000. Yards of material at the ball field. William made a motion to hire Grasset to crush stone, seconded by Steve. Motion passed. They will start with the material on the Rec Field in the Village. We will need trucks to haul and a grader to grade the roads. Material from this site will go to the North Bridgewater Road and other places in the Village area. Then the crusher will move to the Oak Chapel Ball Field. Material from that site will go to areas needed in that part of town. Melissa informed the Board that FEMA will be here Friday (25th) and they will go over the spreadsheet of roads/damages etc. They will also go over the debris on River Road and how we will dispose of it.

Visitors: Linda O’Neil asked about the Jenne Bridge being a priority because of a handicapped person living on that road? Steve said that he had talked with Chris Bumps (VTrans) and had Bruce Maxham and Ed Earle (Fire Dept.) visit the Bridge - and they said that IF there was a fire- they would cross the bridge. William also said that fuel delivery companies could bring smaller trucks and/or smaller tanks should someone need a delivery. Unfortunately – until the State lifts the rating (closed) there is nothing that we can do. General discussion ensued. Question about work on Daily Hollow Rd- will the road be closed? The Board said that it will be closed – during workday hours as needed. Could be in different spots depending on the site. We will give as much notice as we can when the work starts. John & Jean Garren had a question about the damaged town culvert near their property - when will the Town get there to replace the one that is there? They have their property repaired and are worried about more rain washing from the damaged town culvert. William explained that the Town can only work within the 50 foot right of way. Steve will try to get someone in there to do the repairs to the culvert area as soon as we can.

Adjourn: Being no further business - William made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:56 p.m. seconded by Steve –motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria Young, Administrative Assistant