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REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SELECTBOARD & WATER COMMISSION
Monday, June 5th 2023
6:30pm
Town Office Conference Room (86 Mountain Road)

Link to Recording: https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/D-Zk7gXY7coXmxWLwqtmDqNbbXM1_OTCLcClvlFKluZL8we23pLSEm7zwSTta5Al.J4eKDYxjszQw0Ld-
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Meeting Called to order at 6:31pm
In Attendance: Suzanne Dollois, Charlie Hancock, Mark Brouillette, Emily Kimball, Carissa Stein and Scott Ovitt
On Zoom: Dean Pierce, Merle VanGuisen, Gabby Lumbra
Joined on Zoom at 7:00pm Beverly Wemple and Andrew Schroth

1. Review and make any changes to the agenda
   Removed from agenda, from Old Business:
   a. Municipal Wastewater Project Update *(discussion)*
   b. Streetscape Project Update *(discussion)*
   c. 98 Main St. *(discussion)*

2. Review/approve minutes of the 5/15 meeting
   a. Minutes approved, 3-0-1

3. Public Works
   a. Updates
      i. Hill West project completed. Roads are graded, chloride needs to be applied. Black Falls project is getting under way. Phone lines are currently being moved to allow DirtTech to begin work ASAP. Black Falls will remain open during construction. Currently we are using chloride but we are running out because we cannot fit enough in the tanks that we currently have. Scott reports that we can switch to using ProGuard Mag instead of chloride as it is more environmentally friendly, pet friendly, lasts longer and is 3 cents per gallon cheaper. Loader needs to go to John Deer for service, we may need to rent a loader from St. Onge for a week or so to get by while it is being serviced. Fuller Bridge needs some re-decking. It needs to be re-decked with hardwood but hardwood is $13/foot. St. Onge can mill hardwood and do some re-decking this week.

   ii. Motion to authorize no more than $3,000 for the expenditure to repair Fuller Bridge. Suzanne made the motion, seconded by Mark, motion passed 4-0-0.
   iii. Transmission in the grader is failing and the rear end of the machine would need to be rebuilt. Scott will get a quote from CAT and bring this back to the board so that we can review the quote and allocate funding to fix this over the winter.
   iv. Boiler in the PSB needs to be replaced. There is money available from Efficiency Vermont. A new boiler will need to be sized to meet the needs of the PSB remodel. Repairing the current boiler would cost about $6,000.

b. Excavator Rental
   i. Scott presented rental agreement with CCR Sales and Service LLC to rent an excavator for the month of July. Emily motions to enter into the agreement with CCR Sales and Service LLC to rent the excavator. Suzanne seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0.

c. Chloride
   i. Motion to enter into a 3 year contact with Innovative Surface Solutions to get an additional 3k gallon tank and get Proguard Mag to treat roads instead of using chloride. Suzanne made the motion, Emily seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0.

d. Employee Contract review (*executive session 1 VSA 313(a)(1)(A); board action*)

e. Dreissigacker Class IV Road Maintenance permit
   i. Request to work on Deep Gibou to allow for passage of log trucks on the Thirty Acres Woodland LLC lot.
   ii. Mark motions to approve the permit, Suzanne seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0.

f. Longley Bridge/Trout River Project Contractor Selection
   i. Dean Pierce here to discuss the submitted proposals that have been submitted. The recommendation for the award was King's Trucking. This recommendation came from D&K.
   ii. There are questions from a process perspective about some prices submitted in this proposal. Things like mobilization costs, unit costs for cover cropping. These questions will be addressed with King's in an effort to clarify the contract.
   iii. Within the contract the contractor will be held to the contract price that is approved. The town would not be responsible for overages if they occur without a change order.
   iv. The estimate came in lower than estimated so the town's share should be less than the $75k that was expected.
   v. Motion to accept the bid from King's Trucking from Mark, seconded by Suzanne passed, 4-0-0
   vi. Motion to send notice of award to King's Trucking from Mark, seconded by Suzanne passed, 4-0-0
   vii. Dean will send a model copy of a Construction Contract that we can use or alter as needed for this project. There are both interim and end dates in the contract and paragraph four specifies liquidated damages which allows for monies to be collected if the project is not completed in the specified timeline.
   viii. Motion to appoint Mark to sign the contract away from the table, Emily made the motion, Suzanne seconded. Motion passed, 4-0-0
   ix. Dean will schedule a pre-construction meeting as soon as the contract is returned to him, Mark will be present for the meeting as well as Charlie.

   g. Review of Purchasing Policy
      i. Quotes can be approved per the purchasing policy to reduce time in between getting quotes and getting warrants to Erin to pay contractors and vendors.

4. Visitors (7pm)
   a. Merle reports that West Hill is in the best shape that it has been in for his 46 years of living there! Hyperlink for Mark's email is not working. Merle also asked about planning and a public meeting for the streetscape project. We will be hosting a meeting following receipt of scaled back plans from the engineers.
   b. Andrew and Beverly (new business item b)

5. Old Business
   a. Sinuosity Report/Plan for Town Forest *(board action)*
      i. Carissa is here to answer questions and asking for board approval for the proposed trail and erosion mitigation for new trail construction in the town forest. If any changes to the plan were to arise the board would be notified. Funding for this project would come from the Conservation Commission and Grants.
      ii. Events at the Town Forest this week including a visit from MES on Thursday and a Community Day on Saturday.
      iii. Motion to adopt the motion for the town forest plan was made by Mark, seconded by Suzanne. Motion passed 4-0-0.

6. New Business
   a. July 4th Parade Authorization (*board action*)
      i. Suzanne motioned to approve the parade authorization, Mark seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0.
   b. Beverly Wemple re: UVM Trout River Monitoring Study (*board action*)
      i. NOAA is trying to predict stream flow. UVM would like to install stream level sensors. Andrew Schroth is working to better predict stream flow where headwaters are located in forested areas. Currently there is limited data due to sensor capacity to collect the needed data. Using a pressure transducer is a more accurate manner to inform the ability to predict stream flow in areas like this. They also want to monitor the downstream water levels as well to capture the fluctuations. Beverly and Andrew are joining to ask if they can install additional sensors along the Trout River in order collect a more complete data set.
         1. 3rd Hole, Vincent's Bridge, Comstock Bridge and Longley Bridge as requested sites for locating these sensors. Carissa suggested that where West Hill Brook intersects the Trout River as another site to monitor.
         2. Additional monitoring sites can be easily added as needed or requested.
      ii. Motion to allow for these monitoring devices to be installed made by Mark, seconded by Suzanne. Motion passed 4-0-0.
   c. Liquor/Tobacco Licenses (*board action*)
      i. Thompson/Hines Enterprises LLC. (Belfry) – Outdoor Consumption Permit(s), motion to approve the permits made by Suzanne, seconded by Mark. Motion passed 4-0-0.
   d. Fleet Permits
      i. n/a

7. Executive Session – 1 VSA 313(a)(1)(A)
    a. Suzanne motioned to enter into Executive Session, Mark seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0. Entered into Executive Session at 7:55.
    b. Suzanne motioned to exit Executive Session, Emily seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0.
        i. Amendments will be made to contracts and will be ready for next meeting.

8. Discussion of Warrant Items
    a. Suzanne motioned to pay Mark Larivee for generator work ($3,074.19) at the 118 Pump Station, motion passed 4-0-0.
    b. Motion to approve expenditure for St. Onge for hauling gravel ($1567.50), Suzanne made the motion, Mark seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0.
9. Open Mail / Sign Orders / Administrative Matters

10. Review Action Items for Board Members

11. Adjourn

    a. At 8:14 Suzanne motioned to adjourn meeting, Mark seconded. Motion passed 4-0-0.