

## MUNICIPAL OFFICERS MEETING MINUTES

MAY 18, 2023

7:00 P.M.

8:30 P.M.

ERIC DURGIN

CORY HALE

KAREN JAMES

Meeting called to order with Karen and Eric present. Cory was unable to attend. Bob Sturgeon, Ethan Norcross and Greg Sawyer were also present.

Board reviewed warrants and signed with no changes.

Board reviewed minutes and accepted as read.

Board opened the 2 bids received for the Phase 1 of Tearcap Road Project.

1. W. L. Sturgeon - \$347,878 – start August 1<sup>st</sup> and length 6 weeks – trees need to cut prior to start with approval from landowners – included addendum that he acknowledged a gravel unit price for gravel at \$38.40/cy
2. Kheil Excavation - \$399,000 with a unit price for gravel at \$35.00 cy

Bob stated that trees need to be identified, abutting landowner can be a handful to deal with, may have to have more discussions and Bob suggested not cutting trees beyond the phase 1 cut offline. It could potentially cause more damage to the road.

Board discussed changing direction on repairs to Tearcap and only go about ½ way on Phase 1 area and then come down Hampshire Street approximately the same distance since that section of Hampshire Street is worse than the other half of phase 1 area.

Board will get back to the bidders with their decision. Karen stated that at pre-bid meeting – plans showed a typical crosscut of the road but in some places in needs to be built up more. Need to measure Hampshire St section – needs ditching w/rip rap.

Motion made and seconded to accept Sturgeon bids. Karen will reach out to Sturgeon to find out time.

Karen will call in for FEMA meeting on December storm on Tuesday

**Ethan – presented job description and ordinance. He is still on the Rescue roster.**

Board voted to approve the job description for the HFD chief. Will provide an overall map w/new roads to the stations once updated.

**Eric asked Greg to use the York rake behind the HFD. Greg stated he would do it next week.**

Farrington truck is leaving the trailer behind the HFD. Need to ask him not to park there.

**Ethan will update all of the policies and bring them to the board all at once. Ethan also stated that they will use Sacopee Health Center for exposure control since Dr DeKay has closed his office. Need to schedule a workshop in the future to discuss a workshop on pay VFF 6/22.**

Greg – Paving Tripptown road and added about \$2500-3500 for patch on a section by Oxen Ridge. 530 feet were added to the paving quote.

**Greg stated that he talked to Noah Wright about dumping fill on his property, but the board voted not to have Greg do that because of current and past issues with contamination already on the property from items Mr. Wright has disposed there.**

**Greg stated there are 2 more trees on New Settlement that need to be taken down and Greg will contact Leo Martel to see if he can take them down.**

**Board moved to enter into executive session to deliberate over an application for abatement pursuant to 36 MRS §841 (2) at 7:51 p.m.**

**Board moved to come out of executive session at 8 p.m.**

**Board moved to grant a partial abatement in the amount of \$415 in case #1-23 pursuant to Title 36 MRS §841 (2), Might want to suggest a reverse mortgage.**

Board member noticed a wheeled excavator sitting by Baldwin town office. Need to contact their office to see if for sale.

**HFD roof – Ken Harmon quoted \$1,380 to fix the roof, soffit, seal holes and seal ridge. Board approved.**

Tyler Smith has not called back.

Marylou stated that the Bangor conference went well.

**Board reviewed the newsletter and approved.**

**Eric stated that Jamie Marshall resigned from the SHFD.**

**Meeting adjourned,  
Respectfully submitted  
Terry Day**