

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
JANUARY 26, 2016
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board members present: Gail Cromwell, George Willard, Ken Caisse

Call to order by Cromwell at 6:30 p.m.

Demolition of 400 NH RT 45: The Board reviewed quotes for the demolition of 400 NH RT 45 with Road Agent Tim Fiske: The following quotes were received: C.A. Willard - \$17,500.00; K. Sweeney Construction - \$16,800.00; Gardent Excavation - \$9,600.00; Matthewson Company - \$35,690.00; B. Heck Construction - \$8,425.00. The Board tried to determine if the proposed scope of work was the same in each quote. Fiske stated that he gave the five contractors the same information. Fiske then asked for a non-public session. Move by Cromwell to enter non-public session at 6:43 pm, second by Willard under RSA 91-A:3II(c), and voted Cromwell – yes; Willard – yes; Caisse – yes.

Out of non-public session at 6:47 pm. The minutes were not sealed.

Cromwell informed the public that Fiske had informed them that there is asbestos in this building which will need to be abated before any demolition can occur. The Board will need to hire a company for this abatement. Fiske will obtain quotes for the asbestos abatement.

Cromwell then asked Fiske for his recommendation on the demolition work. Caisse stated that he would prefer to wait on awarding the work so that he could review all of the quotes and try to determine if the scope of work is the same. Fiske stated that he met with all the companies and explained what needed to be done. Willard moved to accept the low bid from B. Heck Construction in the amount of \$8,425.00 for the demolition work at 400 NH RT 45, second by Cromwell and voted Cromwell and Willard yes, Caisse abstained.

Prior Minutes: Move by Cromwell to approve the 1/12/16 minutes as written, second by Caisse and voted in the affirmative.

Budget/Town Meeting Preparation: The Board reviewed the information on the annual postcard sent to voters and verified the dates of the primary, budget hearing, town voting, town meeting, etc.

Discussion about the petition article for SB-2 the Board set a date of Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 7 pm for a hearing on this petition.

The Board discussed warrant articles for the town warrant, the Administrative Assistant will start preparing the warrant for the Board's review. The proposed warrant article about opposing the pipeline was reviewed.

Cromwell informed the Board that she had taken the Town Clerk's proposal for record preservation to the CIP Committee. Due to the \$20,000.00+ cost the CIP Committee is recommending that a new committee be formed that will research alternatives, investigate the possibility of grants and make recommendations. Caisse said that if this will be the course of action it should be done as soon as possible.

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The Board reviewed the BAC recommended budget. The Board started discussion about the Municipal Building maintenance. Caisse will do some research and get measurements for the foyer and hallway repairs.

Cromwell informed the Board that she had reviewed wages and handed out a worksheet she had compiled. Cromwell told the Board that in her research she had determined that the Highway Department needed a "market adjustment" to their wages before any other proposed adjustment. She also, stated that the office staff appears to be adequately compensated. Cromwell asked for a motion to approve the adjustments she was suggesting. There was discussion about Cromwell's proposal. Caisse asked to see the comparisons and stated that he did not think that a person who has been with the town slightly over a year should be adjusted to within fifty cents of a person who has been with the town for 11 years. Caisse stated that he wanted more time to review wages and was not ready to vote on anything. It was determined that there would be further discussion at the 2/2/16 Board meeting.

Committee Reports: SAC – Cromwell shared a table she had put together with data regarding the costs of the school district. Cromwell informed the Board that SAC would like the individual Boards of Selectmen to vote on whether they would support the Conval Budget and teacher's contract.

CIP – Cromwell informed the Board that the CIP Committee has a draft report and will be meeting on January 27, 2016 to finalize this report.

Planning Board – Willard informed the Board that the PB held hearings on two proposed zoning amendments.

Paperwork: Signed vouchers.

Motion to adjourn at 8:31 pm by Caisse, second by Willard and voted in the affirmative.

Minutes submitted by Debra Harling

~ Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 6:30 pm, Town Hall Annex ~