

Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2017

Present: James Bailey III, Chairman; David N. Fullerton, Selectman; Jonathan M. Daley, Selectman
Laura Buono, Town Administrator.

In Attendance: Joyce Bosse, Bill Goss, Charles Pierce, Caleb Connor

Selectman Fullerton opened the meeting at 6:05 p.m.
Chairman Bailey joined the meeting at approximately 6:20 p.m.

1. OPEN SESSION

There were no public comments

2. BILL GOSS – 2017 PAVING BIDS

Mr. Goss met with the Selectmen to review the 2017 Paving Bids. Bids were received from and totals were; GMI Paving – \$60.20/ton (\$260,964 total); United Construction Corp – Binder Norton Dr. \$72.50/ton; Overlay \$61/ton; Old Henniker Rd. \$59/ton; Jefferson \$58.50/ton; Bible Hill \$63/ton (\$262,954 total); Advanced Excavating & Paving – \$65/ton (\$271,500 totals); R&D Paving – \$65.50/ton (\$275,532.50 total); Brox Industries – \$61.95/ton (575 tons); \$60.74/ton (3,850 tons); Additional Handwork \$115/ton (\$272,506.25 total); Pike Industries – \$61.74/ton (\$267,593.50 total); Mitchell Sand & Gravel – \$59.50/ton (\$234,900.35 total); Vermont Road Works - \$62.38/ton (\$274,405.61 total). Charles Pierce from Mitchell Sand & Gravel and Caleb Connor from Pike Industries were both present for the meeting. Mr. Goss stated that Mitchell Sand & Gravel were the low bidders although he has never worked with that company before. Mr. Goss also noted that none of the bidders were quoting the same amount of tonnage however regardless of that, Mitchell's price per ton was lower. Mr. Goss asked Mr. Pierce to verify the tonnage and said that he can understand if the tonnage goes over a couple of truck loads but he doesn't want to see it go over by too much. Mr. Pierce said he will produce a yield at the end of each day and also stated that the price wouldn't change. Mr. Pierce said he would be happy to take the paragraph out of the contract that discusses price increases. He has a crew that has been working together for 26 years and they work well together. His product is a mix composed of granite and is a virgin aggregate because he doesn't have rip wrap. Mr. Goss said since Mitchell Sand & Gravel is the lowest bidder it's his recommendation that the Selectmen award the contract to them. Chairman Bailey moved to award the contract as presented to Mitchell Sand & Gravel. Motion was seconded by Selectman Daley. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

3. OTHER BUSINESS

Walmart – Ms. Buono said NHDOT has now decided against any roundabouts associated with Walmart coming to Hillsborough and has agreed to upgraded signals at McDonalds and a signal at the entrance of the store. She also presented the Selectmen with a "Welcome" letter to be signed by the Selectmen to the Real Estate Manager of Walmart. Ms. Buono said one is also being sent by the Economic Development Committee Chairman.

Highway Dept. Building Addition – Ms. Buono said that Beech Ridge Builders, LLC was the low bidder for the addition to the highway garage. Ms. Buono said both Mike Borden (building inspector) and Bill Goss (road agent) interviewed the top three companies and recommended Beech Ridge Builders. Ms. Buono said she had already signed the paperwork but needs the Selectmen to ratify the awarding of the contract. Chairman Bailey moved to ratify the award of the contract for the highway garage addition to Beech Ridge Builders, LLC. The motion was seconded by Selectman Daley. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Sidewalk Project – Ms. Buono informed the Selectmen that the sidewalk project has received Governor and Counsel approval and a contractual agreement has been sent. She said that since the agreement has just been received, she has not had a chance to review it. The project will be placed on the first Selectmen’s agenda in June so that she can outline the process.

Emerald Lake Village District – Ms. Buono gave passed out a letter from NHDES with regard to the ELVD public water supply. The letter stated that until they have rectified the issues, the Town cannot issue building permits in the District. The Commissioners will need to notify their residents of the moratorium on building.

Police Union Contract – Ms. Buono said she received a letter from the Police Union asking to begin negotiations. She said she will need a representative from the Board of Selectmen to sit in on the negotiations. Chairman Bailey volunteered to be the representative.

Public Slander – Selectman Fullerton said he’s concerned about malicious slander and would like the Selectmen to consider an ordinance which would enable the police department to investigate and prosecute individuals for slandering others in Town. Ms. Buono said she doesn’t feel this is a good use of the police department resources since it’s typically a civil issue. Chairman Bailey said there’s already laws against defamation of character and isn’t comfortable with the town getting involved. Selectman Daley said he doesn’t feel this is a major repetitive issue and feels it would be difficult to decide what is worthy of being considered malicious.

4. MANIFEST MOTION

Selectman Fullerton moved to authorize the Selectmen to sign manifests and order the Treasurer to sign Payroll Check numbers 11624 – 11677 a/k/a Vouchers 18 & 19 in the amount of \$151,964.68 (includes 129 direct deposit stubs) and Accounts Payable Check numbers 16439- 16521 a/k/a Vouchers 18 & 19 in the amount of \$970,172.21. Motion was seconded by Selectman Daley. A vote was taken. Motion passed with a vote of two in favor and one abstention (Chairman Bailey was absent for this vote)

** A/P Checks include payment to HDSD in the amount of \$777,457.64

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Selectman Fullerton moved to approve the consent agenda for May 9, 2017. Motion was seconded by Selectman Daley. A vote was taken. Motion passed with a vote of two in favor and one abstention (Chairman Bailey was absent for this vote)

- 2016 Property Tax Abatement – Map 23 Lot 67 reduction of \$11,500 in valuation.
- Yield Tax Assessments in the amount of \$2,747.38 & \$294.22
- Intent to Cut – Map 7 Lot 152-3
- Tax Warrant in the amount of \$7,524,368.09

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Selectman Fullerton moved to approve the meeting minutes of April 25, 2017 as written. Motion was seconded by Selectman Daley. A vote was taken. Motion passed with a vote of two in favor and one abstention (Chairman Bailey was absent for this vote)

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bailey moved to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Fullerton. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

A true record.

Laura Buono
Town Administrator

Approved by:
Hillsborough Board of Selectmen

Date: _____

James C. Bailey III, Chairman

David N. Fullerton, Selectman

Jonathan M. Daley, Selectman