

## Select Board Minutes: April 19, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Donald Burke. Present were Select Board members Scott Wiley, Donald Burke and Marlene Libby. Also present were Road Commissioner Curtis Starrett, Jen Pendleton, John Fenner, Lori Costigan, Paul Gagnon, Peter Beckett, Tim Davis and Tyler Jones.

Minutes of the April 12, 2016 meeting were accepted.

### **Select Board:**

*Town mowing* bids were received as follows: Wilson Construction - \$1400; Timothy Davis - \$1500; Tyler Jones - \$1700; Ray Gushee - \$1895; Ben MacDonald - \$2200. The awarding of the bid was tabled until April 26<sup>th</sup>.

*Cemetery mowing* bids were received as follows: ***Pine Grove Cemetery:*** Tyler Jones - \$9800; Amberlie Gibson - \$9500; Ben MacDonald - \$8200; Timothy Davis - \$7800; Wilson Construction & Landscaping - \$7000.

***Miller Yard:*** Tyler Jones - \$2500; Raymond Gushee - \$2399; Ben MacDonald - \$2200; Wilson Construction & Landscaping - \$1950. Quaker Cemetery: Tyler Jones - \$500; Raymond Gushee - \$450; Timothy Davis \$400; Wilson Construction & Landscaping - \$300; Metcalf Cemetery: Raymond Gushee \$249; Hart Cemetery: Raymond Gushee \$329; Timothy Davis: \$300; Sprague Cemetery: Timothy Davis - \$375; Weymouth Cemetery: Raymond Gushee: \$329; Timothy Davis - \$300. Burke recused himself from discussion & voting on the bids due to the appearance of a conflict of interest. The awarding of the bids was tabled until April 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **Road Commissioner:**

Starrett and Burke will meet with representatives of the DOT at 9:00 AM tomorrow (April 20<sup>th</sup>) to review ditching and drainage issues on Rte 131 in the village.

The culvert on Peabody Road has been repaired but the Town has not patched with hot top.

The Town is borrowing traffic counters from the DOT that have been placed on Appleton Ridge Road.

**Select Board (cont'd):**

Upon a motion by Burke and seconded by Wiley, the bid for the town report publication from Hollow Ridge Communication of Appleton was accepted. The vote was 3-0. The Board agreed on a photo for the cover.

Upon a motion by Burke and seconded by Wiley, Walter Esancy was appointed for a one-year term to the Board of Appeals. The vote was 3-0.

The Board made additional recommendations on the 2016/17 budget.

Burke reported that the 4/13/16 meeting for local public officials held in Union indicated that the two most popular issues were the ability to *pay excise taxes in neighboring towns as needed* and the idea of *towns joining to fill their health officer position*.

Peter Beckett questioned where the \$88,878.65 carry over in the proposed school budget is indicated in the Town's audit.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:00PM.

Prepared by D. Burke