

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN HALL ROSE ROOM
SEPTEMBER 05, 2018
MINUTES

Present: First Selectman Christine Goupil, Selectmen Jack Scherban, Carol Walter, Phillip Sengle and Tim Guerra

Also Present: Attorney John Bennet

Everyone stood and pledged allegiance to the flag. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM.

VISITORS

No visitors wished to speak at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Walter and unanimously approved the minutes from August 29, 2018.

RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to appoint Mike Hornyak (R) to the Board of Education for a term until November 2021. The motion was unanimously approved.

Last week the board approved the makeup of the Capital Expenditure Committee as 2 Board of Selectmen, 2 Board of Finance and 2 at large members. Guerra made a motion, seconded by Walter to appoint Jack Scherban, Phil Sengle, Miner Vincent, Dennis Donovan and 2 Board of Finance members to the Capital Expenditure Committee. The motion was approved with 3 in favor (Guerra, Walter and Goupil) and 2 abstentions (Sengle and Scherban).

MORGAN SIDEWALK PROJECT

After reviewing the bids, the town decided to substitute steel bulkhead walls for precast cement walls and replace the steel wrought iron fence with a more economical fence. The total projected cost with Trademark Construction is \$1,006,517.79. The available budget for the project is \$1,050,000. Scherban made a motion, seconded by Walter to award to the bid to Trademark Construction for a total project cost not to exceed \$1,500,000. The motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC WORKS – EXMARK LAZER MOWERS

Guerra made a motion, seconded by Sengle to award the Exmark Mower bid to Giant Oak Power Equipment for \$13,349.00. The motion was unanimously approved.

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Guerra to add agenda item 6A – Cedar Island Dock Replacement. The motion was unanimously approved.

CEDAR ISLAND DOCK REPLACEMENT

Guerra made a motion, seconded by Sengle to award the Cedar Island Dock Replacement bid to Riverside Basin Marina for \$31,200. The motion was unanimously approved.

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CDM SMITH AMENDMENT 9B LAGOON CLOSURE

Amendment 9B is a continuation of services from a project that started years ago. A consultant is needed to close out the project and provide a final report. The funds will come from the Unilever Settlement. Sengle made a motion, seconded by Scherban to table until next week. The motion was unanimously approved.

CHARTER REVISION

Scherban made a motion, seconded by Sengle to accept the final reports of the Charter Revision Commission submitted on August 28, 2018. The motion was unanimously approved. Scherban made a motion, seconded by Guerra to accept the following questions as amended for the November 2018 Ballot. The motion passed with a vote of 3 in favor (Scherban, Sengle and Guerra) and 1 abstention (Walter).

Charter Revision 2018
Ballot Questions

1. Shall the Town of Clinton amend the Charter to adopt a Town Council and Town Manager form of government and associated amendments pursuant to the final report of the Charter Revision Commission dated August 28, 2018, to be effective November 19, 2019?
2. Shall the Town of Clinton retain the Board of Selectmen form of government and make the various amendments pursuant to the amended Charter for such form of government contained in the final report of the Charter Revision Commission dated August 28, 2018, to be effective November 19, 2019?

Attorney John Bennet explained that there would need to be a majority of all voters voting on the question in order for it to be adopted.

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Guerra to add agenda item 9A – Executive Session – Purchase & Sale Agreement and Personnel. The motion was unanimously approved.

SELECTMEN'S REPORTS

Reported by Goupil

- Shellfish Commission – The Shellfish Commission is looking at preliminary state approval to open up shellfish beds for clamming.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL & PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT

Sengle made a motion, seconded by Walter to go into executive session at 8:50 am and invite Mary Schettino, Peter Neff and Attorney John Bennet. The motion was unanimously approved. The board came out of executive session at 9:44 am. Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban to allow the

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First Selectman to enter into negotiations with Richard McArdle for the Finance Director position pending a recommendation from the Board of Finance. The motion was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN

Walter made a motion, seconded by Scherban and unanimously adjourned the meeting at 9:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino