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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, July 05, 2022 – 6:30 p.m. – Town Hall Conference Room

Members Present: Randy Bunnell, Vaughan Morgan, Steve Smith, Richard Winsor

Members Absent: Jamie Connelly

Staff Present: Matthew Scruton, Town Administrator

Chair Smith opened the Board of Selectmen meeting at 6:30 p.m. A roll call was taken and it was announced a quorum was present and the meeting was being live-streamed and recorded. J. Connelly had notified TA Scruton that he would not be available for tonight's meeting.

I. APPOINTMENT

1. Eric Weinrieb, Altus Engineering: Roads Update

Eric Weinrieb, Altus Engineering, updated the Board on roads. The crack sealing bid is out and due back to Altus Engineering on Monday, July 11, 2022. The striping RFP is due to be sent out shortly. Thermoplastic will be used for all stop bars, which will last longer than painting. Thermoplastic will add slightly to the cost. E. Weinrieb noted the stop bar locations that will be striped. Altus Engineering estimated a cost of \$75,000 for double yellow striping based on current inflation. Stop bar striping is projected to cost an additional \$51,000 to \$52,000. There was a discussion about plowing on Brackett Point and how far the Town maintained; the Board requested clarity. Altus Engineering was not proposing improvements on that section.

The Board received a chart prepared by Altus Engineering indicating streets with stop bars, length of roadway, length of existing stop bars, and if it is included in crack sealing this year as well as information about pavement (copy on file). Altus Engineering is also attempting to compile the history of Town roads: when the road was built and when it was last overlayed prior to Altus Engineering's involvement. They are preparing the pavement repairs, overlay and pavement project.

When E. Weinrieb met with the Board at a previous meeting, his budget was approximately \$30,000 for pavement repairs. Altus Engineering has looked at roads. They noticed potholes and broken pieces of roads. E. Weinrieb recommended repairing those: cutting them out and putting in fresh gravel and pavement, patching and matching to grade. There is approximately 1,700 square yards of work that needs to be done at \$50 per square yard. That cost will be almost \$90,000.

E. Weinrieb explained that the contract for crack sealing, striping, and pavement repair, is worded: this is an estimate; we have the right, based on the budget, to add and subtract as we wish. Once the tonnage and square yards are known, they can start manipulating if needed. E. Weinrieb would like to send out to bid reclaim and repave for five roads: Rolston Avenue, Serenity Cove, Swan Terrace, Spring Hill Road, and Lane Avenue (3,200 linear feet). The bid would include milling, reclaiming, repaving with

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2 ½ inches of binder. Reclaim, add crushed stone, and repave (similar to what was done on Bayside Road) on Moulton Avenue and Coastal Way; the subgrades are worse and have more traffic than others. The cost is \$10 more a linear foot than budgeted; costs are higher than a month ago due to oil. The total construction budget is \$671,000.

Bids are good for this year. Altus Engineering will include the DOT escalator for bitumen costs in the bid. Contracts can be renewed in the spring and include the DOT escalator. They included spray painting a line on Maple Drive and Magnolia Lane but are not planning any pavement repairs.

TA Scruton noted there is only \$1 in the paving line of the budget; funds will have to come out of the Road Maintenance CRF. He recommended the Board leave a contingency in the CRF. Also coming out of the CRF is Bayside Road paving. Fairway Drive, Sanderson Road and Meloon Road were encumbered; Bayside Road was not encumbered. TA Scruton stated that the other fund for road expenses needed Town Meeting approval to expend. There is no backup other than cutting department operating budgets.

TA Scruton updated the Board on the culverts. There was another round of funding opportunities through DES; the deadline was Friday, July 01st. The Town submitted two applications (Meloon and Foss Brook), adding it was a long shot; there was \$1 million available for competitive grants throughout the entire State. There are large culvert projects in the State that may trump Greenland's. The previously submitted DES grant for Meloon was not funded; however, that was a different grant opportunity.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Acceptance of Grants: Police Department

The Police Department has received two grants. Chief Laurent will send a thank you note to the Pattony Foundation.

- \$14,972.40: Partial reimbursement from a \$50,000 GOFERR Grant (Locality Equipment Purchase Program); the remaining will be paid when proof of payment has been submitted.
- \$40,362.52: Pattony Foundation Grant similar to the one received by the Fire Department.

S. Smith opened the hearing to public comments. There being none, S. Smith closed the public hearing and returned to the Board.

MOTION: R. Winsor moved to accept and expend the grants received by the Police Department from the GOFERR Grant in the amount of \$14,972.40 and the Pattony Foundation in the amount of \$40,362.52. Second – R. Bunnell; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Monday, June 06, 2022

MOTION: R. Bunnell moved to approve the minutes of Monday, June 06, 2022. Second – R. Winsor; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. Coakley Update

TA Scruton updated the Board that the Coakley Group held their June 16th meeting in Portsmouth rather than Boston. He considered this a win for keeping the meetings open and available to the general public.

2. Waste Disposal Contract

Covanta did not respond to TA Scruton's phone call about the Board's request to extend the contract. He also reached out to Troiano, the Town's trucking group (the Town is not under contract with Troiano). Troiano's trucking rates are \$235 per haul to Covanta or Waste Management's turnkey facility in Rochester. There is generally a wait time at both facilities. The line at Waste Management can be bypassed by utilizing Waste Management trucks; that is a fast pass in and out. Their drivers do not have to wait in line; the surcharge for the truck idling in line would not be charged.

TA Scruton felt the Waste Management rate would be very competitive to Troiano's or possibly cheaper. It would not influence the per ton amount that is charged. TA Scruton did not think it would be more than Covanta's rate. If the Town's tonnage remains similar to last year, the savings could be approximately \$22,000 by switching to Waste Management. TA Scruton noted that Covanta is an incinerating plant; Waste Management is a landfill. The Town has typically avoided landfills with its MSW, adding there is liability potential with either option. TA Scruton stated there is a big difference in landfill technology since Coakley Landfill. Waste Management may have a couple of liners in their landfill and are safer than years ago. Technology has improved and landfills are closely monitored.

Noting the current budget, V. Morgan stated he was not overly concerned about the liability. If something happened, everybody would be liable.

MOTION: V. Morgan moved to utilize the Lamprey River agreement with Waste Management for the Town's MSW, expiring January 01, 2026. Further, if trucking costs were competitive and trucks were available, Waste Management trucks would be used. Second – R. Bunnell; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

3. Other Old Business

TA Scruton: Street sweeping has been done per the MS-4. Catch basins have also been cleaned. Roadside mowing will be done in July.

R. Bunnell: Questioned if due diligence has been done regarding body cameras for the Police Department. Chief Laurent responded that body cameras were received through the Congressionally Directed Spending grant. She explained that the cameras are not expensive; it is the storage and process, etc. The Police Department received funding for the body cameras and an update to building security. They had to wait for the federal Congress to pass their budget, which happened recently. Chief Laurent explained the process for the grant approval. She further explained that body cameras are not currently mandatory because it is not funded. The State wants police departments to use body cameras and eventually they will become mandatory. There are in-state grants available at 50%. Chief Laurent has researched body cameras. The Police Department will create their own policies on how long they will keep footage and what they retain. Chief Laurent will research further the possible annual

costs involved. Her main concern is redaction if footage is requested. She will have further discussions with the Board if funding is awarded. Responding to a question from V. Morgan, Chief Laurent stated Governor Sununu has commented that body cameras will be mandatory throughout the State. R. Bunnell asked Board members for their thoughts. V. Morgan stated it was a wait and see situation. S. Smith felt it would eventually become mandatory state-wide. R Bunnell did not see it mandated for a small town like Greenland. He suggested a community outreach for opinions and would like to understand how the officers felt about it. He also was curious about other town experiences and the potential liabilities to the Town. Chief Laurent disagreed, using REACT and the Floyd incident as examples. V. Morgan stated that they should prepare in advance for any possible mandates.

VI. NEW BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Other New Business

V. Morgan discussed the amount of paper in the Board packets. Options will be discussed.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

• Fire Department Donation

The Fire Department has received a \$750 donation from the Margarita Half Marathon that was held on Sunday, May 01st, in conjunction with Mercedes-Benz.

• Department of Revenue Form PA-28

Form PA-28 is the Taxpayer Inventory Blank. The assessor has advised TA Scruton that this form is not necessary.

• Property Tax Abatement

The assessor has approved the abatement for 454 Post Road (Map R6, 14) in the amount of \$468 plus interest, due to a 2021 software glitch in Vision causing an over-assessment of \$25,000.

• Manifests

1. Payroll Manifest 22-14: \$64,767.35
2. General Fund Manifest 22-14: Total - \$1,307,899.47 (Town: \$22,899.47; School: \$1,285,000)
3. Police Special Detail Revolving Fund Manifest 22-05: \$15,380

MOTION: R. Winsor moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Second – R. Bunnell; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

VIII. NON-PUBLIC

1. Personnel: RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

MOTION: R. Winsor moved to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (a), at 7:17 pm. Second – V. Morgan; roll call vote: R. Winsor – yes, R. Bunnell – yes, V. Morgan – yes, S. Smith – yes; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: R. Winsor moved to leave non-public session and return to public session at 8:21 pm. Second – R. Bunnell; roll call vote: R. Winsor – yes, R. Bunnell – yes, V. Morgan – yes, S. Smith – yes; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: R. Winsor moved to seal the minutes of the non-public session. Second – V. Morgan; roll call vote: R. Winsor – yes, R. Bunnell – yes, V. Morgan – yes, S. Smith – yes; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: R. Winsor moved to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. Second – R. Bunnell; all in favor. MOTION CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

Monday, July 18, 2022 – 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Conference Room

Submitted By – Charlotte Hussey, Administrative Assistant