

TOWN OF JEFFERSON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
June 17, 2013

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Jefferson was held at the Selectmen Office Monday June 17, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: Kevin Meehan, Chairman and Tom Brady(7:10) and Norman Brown members comprising a quorum of the Board.

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Cushman, Assistant to Selectmen; Mark Dubois, Road Foreman; Chris Milligan, Fire Chief, Terri Larcomb, Treasurer; Peter Holden & William Rossignal, Holden Transportation Engineering

Kevin Meehan opened the regular meeting at 7:05. The Board reviewed and approved the bills for payment next week and signed the warrants. The Highway Department report was reviewed. The warrants were signed. Terri Larcomb was in to sign checks and pick up warrants.

Norman Brown made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 3, 2013 Selectmen Meeting minutes as written. Kevin seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Chris Milligan said that he had an estimate from John Hanks on doing all the restoration and repairs at the Riverton Cemetery. It would be about \$18,000. Yes this seems high, but there are a lot of stones that need to be straightened and repaired. Tom Brady said that he had looked at the two different fences in Conway. He is in favor of the Citadel style. Tom said that the Citadel is sturdy and looks good. Norman asked what has been budgeted to do restoration work. We have set aside \$2500 a year to do this. It was suggested that perhaps a three-year schedule could be budgeted increasing the funding to \$5000 to complete the restoration. It was asked how long before the work would have to be done again. Chris said that once the restoration is done that it shouldn't have to be done again for 10 years.

Norman made a motion to purchase the Citadel style fence at the cost of \$16,600 installation included. Tom seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Chris said that he would like to purchase a ton of the one-step to put on some more of the cemeteries to help get rid of the insects. It has made a big difference in Riverton. Chris was asked if this was budgeted. No, not specifically. Chris was told to wait until this fall to see what is available in the budget.

Chris reported that the Fire Department will be purchasing four hundred feet hose and 2 sections of suction line. This purchase was part of the 2013 budget. The Selectmen approved the purchase.

Peter Holden and William Rossignal were in to present to the Board some suggestions for replacing the Chambers Road bridge. Peter said that his company looks at the States bridge inspection list. Peter said that the purpose of their presentation is to assist the Town in planning for replacing the bridge and their having a chance in bidding on the job when it is done. They have attempted to give the Town an affordable option for replacing the bridge.

They said that according to the State's report the bridge on Chambers Road in fair condition, there is erosion around the footings and settlement of the abutments. Peter had presented the Board with several different options that his company has developed for replacing the bridge. They were asked about the State's 80/20 funding. William said that the State's program is out to 2024 with no guarantee that funding would be available. The State does give advanced payment to cover engineering in some cases. When the State looks at plans for their program they expect all new construction. The ideas that Holden is presenting reuses some of the current structure.

Norman asked if it would be possible to perhaps use like the precast from option 2 in the option 1 plan. Yes, they could do that it would make a difference in cost. The engineering is not included in the cost estimates, it is a separate figure as shown.

Peter said that in the plans that they have developed they have figured that the construction would take about one month. They have included a temporary crossing to be used during the construction period. Peter said that they would redo the estimate with different options and resubmit. The Board thanked Peter and William for their presentation.

Mark Dubois said that he has looked at the bridge on Israel's River Road where it was hit last winter. He said that he plans on fixing the concrete where it was broken by pouring new concrete. He will reset the post that was broken and attach the railing. Mark does not believe the rail needs to be replaced. Mark was asked about the plan to pave the road. There is not enough money in the capital reserve to do the entire road. There was some discussion as to what had been done for shimming and if culverts needed to be replaced. Mark said that he would suggest that the paving could be done in sections, change a culvert and pave that section. The Selectmen agreed that would be a good approach. Mark was asked to inventory the culverts and determine what had to be replaced.

The Selectmen discussed the material that had been received from the attorney regarding the Lewis building permit. Norman and Tom had questions as to what the Town's liability would be if the permit is approved. We need to protect the Town from any recourse where access would be from an unapproved access. Can the use of this building be restricted. Linda was asked to contact the attorney regarding the concerns of the Selectmen.

Linda was asked to put a new request for bid in the paper for the Ford truck. Bid will be done in July 12, 2013.

Norman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Tom seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,