Board of Public Works Meeting Minutes March 12, 2019



Members Present: Thomas Haluch, Guilherme Rodrigues, Alex Simao, Stephen Santos

Members Absent: Barry Linton

Also: Ken Batista, Amy Priest

At 6:00 PM Mr. Haluch called the meeting to order.

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

939. Letter from Joseph Mosher of 167 Chapin Street regarding a shade tree removal request. Mr. Batista to look into but requests the BPW to look at it before posting a public shade tree hearing.

940. Letter from Safety Committee which the planning board regarding their concerns regarding their concerns about the intersection of Chapin Street and Fuller Street where the elementary school is to be constructed. This issue to be brought up again at the next BPW meeting with a full board in attendance.

941. Letter from MA Dot regarding Town of Ludlow Chapter 90 apportionment for fiscal year 2020 is \$696,635.00. This is slightly less than the last fiscal year.

Interim Director's Report-

Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Chicopee (Cady Street sewer project) regarding Bluebird Acres draft agreement. Estimate from work done by Mott McDonald is approximately \$6,300.00. A bill is forthcoming. Sewer Enterprise Fund printout for the Board of Public Works members will be available.

Dam Emergency Action Plan proposal by Tighe and Bond is \$5,500.00 per Dam (a total of \$11,000.00) Mr. Batista suggested getting other quotes for the projects and will seek other quotes.

Capital Improvement Committee Meeting-Final payment on truck #37 presented. Truck #33 was a total loss. The insurance check was \$126,000.00. Looking to do a 3 year

lease on this truck which would be \$35,515.00. Replace Grounds Master 5910. A 3 year lease is approximately \$37,832.00 per year. The machine discounted to \$150,000.00. Generator for building is \$60,000.00.

Managers Meeting- Budget was cut by \$60,000.00 town wide. The pp w budget was gut by \$20,000.00.

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The Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2019.

Chapter 90 Streets- Should have list by July 1st. Mr. Rodrigues brought up Rood Street. The road needs to be reclaimed. Part of Miller Street to be finished. Nash Hill Rd, Bondsville Rd, Helene St, McKinley Ave, and Randall Road on list.

Mr. Rodriques made a motion to accept Mr. Batista's report. Mr. Simao seconded. All in favor. 4/0.

Town Engineer Position to be discussed when there is a full board.

The Town Clerk sent a reminder to reorganize after the March 25, 2019 election.

The next BPW meeting to be on March 26, 2019 and will include the newly elected board member.

Assistant Town Engineer's Work Hours-

The Assistant Town Engineer hours are set to be 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM Monday thru Friday in one letter and as 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM in another. Which is correct? The response to the letter of October 30, 2018 discussed as well as a series of other letters. Should the Human Resource director be involved? She will be contacted and her response will be emailed to the BPW members. Letter sent to Mr. Batista will be discussed at the March 26, 2019 meeting.

Mr. Simao brought up that Mr. Nascimento of Lyons St has brush overgrown onto his property from town property.

Bids for the upcoming fiscal year. A letter was sent to the State Ethics Committee regarding the bids.

First Meeting House- Is a MHC grant available? A letter was sent to Stan Jabolonski previously and nothing was done. Mr. Jablonski will be contacted again. This matter to be added to the quarterly agenda for the meeting with the Board of Selectmen. The process should be started to apply for the grant.

Mr. Simao would like to see an employee licenses spreadsheet to make sure everyone is certified.

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Alex wishes Mr. Santos, who is not running for re-election, good luck and thank you for the last three years.

Mr. Rodrigues brought up the truck #30 bed. Mr. Batista said the old beds in the yard are not worth saving. The old bed will be kept as a backup.

Minutes for 9/24/18, 10/9/18 and 2/4/19 presented and signed.

Cemetery commitment spending is \$14,700.

Mr. Simao made a motion to sign the sewer abatements in the packages. Mr. Rodrigues seconded. All in favor: 4/0.

Mr. Haluch thanked Mr. Santos for his service to the Board of Public Works.

Mr. Santos thanked the board members for his 3 years on the board and the tax payers for voting and for putting their faith in him.

At 7:16 PM Mr. Simao made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rodrigues to adjourn. The Board voted All in Favor.

NOTES ACCEPTED:

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