

May 2, 2018

The Board of Finance held a regular meeting on this date in the meeting room of the Stonington Police Department. Members present were Chairwoman June Strunk, Secretary Glenn Frishman, Tim O'Brien, Mike Fauerbach, Blunt White, Lynn Young and Danielle Chesebrough. Also, present were Police Chief Darren Stewart, Captain Todd Olson, Owner's Rep Chuck Warrington, and Senior Project Manager at DRA., Greg Smolley.

Chairwoman Strunk called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Comments from the Public-none

Mr. Frishman made a motion to amend the agenda, Ms. Young seconded and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

New Business

Bid waivers

- Request for a bid waiver from the K-12 Building Committee for Deans Mill School and West Vine Street School projects in the amount of \$1,000,812.57 for Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment (FFE), and Technology. Chairwoman Strunk said that it is time to order FFE as well as technology for the schools, and noted that some of the parts are going out to bid, and other parts are coming off of the State contract. She introduced Mr. Warrington and Mr. Smolley, who provided handouts which detailed the equipment needed in each of the schools. Mr. Smolley said that all of the furniture listed is on the State bid list and is time sensitive, as there is a 12-14-week lead time. He noted that the technology is for the Uninterruptible Power Sources, which are needed to keep the buildings up and running if the power goes out between now and when they are occupied. Mrs. Strunk noted that the K-12 committee had approved these waivers last night, and that both of these items have come in under budget. Mr. Warrington noted that the quotes are in line with the budget that had been established, and that as the quotes come in it is likely they will show savings. Discussion ensued.

Mrs. Strunk made a motion to approve the waiver, Mr. Frishman seconded, and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

K-12 Liaison Reports-

Mr. Warrington gave a review as to where the school projects stand budget-wise, and provided the Board with a handout which he reviewed. He mentioned that the budget for West Vine was \$31,587,700, of which \$27M is contracted to date. He stated that the \$2.1M in the contingency fund is for potential change orders due to the PCB issues in the school. He noted that they had encountered a lot of ledge and rock at both schools, especially at West Vine. Mr. Warrington said that in summary, the overall balance at West Vine has \$614,000 remaining, and he expects both projects to come in on budget.

- Request from Police Chief, to be allowed to purchase dispatcher furniture from Watson Furniture, represented by W.A. Hendrickson, off the state bid list contract #1SPSX0255 for \$53,059.04. Chief Stewart mentioned that the furniture was for three stations, and must be customized to meet their needs. He said that the price for the equipment has gone down to \$52,316.06, and noted that this does not include subcontractors that will be needed for the install. Mr. Frishman made a motion to approve the waiver, Ms. Young seconded, and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried.**
- Request from Bill King, BOE Director of Facilities, to be allowed to purchase Stonington High School Fire Alarm System from Giuliano Electric for \$66,500.

Mr. King said that this is the same system used in the other schools within the district. He mentioned that Giuliano Electric has done quality work for the school system in the past. Mr. White said that while he likes the fact that this is a local vendor, he does not agree that this is a no bid contract. He noted that other vendors may like the opportunity to bid, but have not had the opportunity to do so. Mr. King said that the Giuliano's bid came in approximately \$6,500 under budget. Ms. Young stated that next time (for Mystic Middle School) they should competitively bid the project. The Board concurred.

Mr. Frishman made a motion to approve the bid waiver, Ms. Chesebrough seconded, and voting was as follows:

Mrs. Strunk-yay Ms. Young-yay Mr. O'Brien-yay
Mr. Frishman-yay Ms. Chesebrough-yay Mr. Fauerbach-absent
Mr. White-nay
Motion carried, 5-1

Line Item Transfer-

- Request from Director of Finance to approve various departmental transfers to cover operating deficits with transfers from other departmental line items with YTD surpluses. Mrs. Strunk made a motion to approve the transfers, Mr. Frishman seconded, and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Appointment of Auditor-Mrs. Strunk made a motion to reappoint the accounting firm PFK O'Connor Davies as financial statement auditor for the 2017/2018 fiscal year. Mr. Frishman seconded, and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Previous minutes-

- Mr. Frishman made a motion to approve the March 28 minutes as amended, Ms. Young seconded, and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried.**
- Mr. Frishman made a motion to approve the March 29 minutes, Ms. Young seconded, and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried.**
- Mr. Frishman made a motion to approve the April 11 Public Hearing minutes as amended, Ms. Young seconded, and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried.**
- Mr. Frishman made a motion to approve the April 11 minutes as amended, Ms. Young seconded, and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Scheduling of Special Meeting-

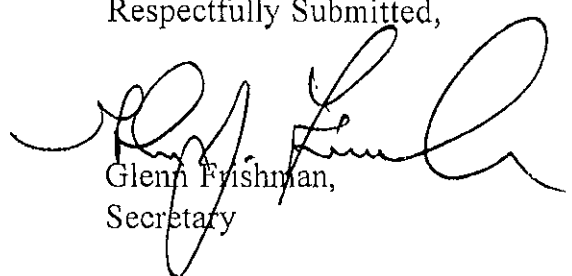
The Board agreed to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday, May 8th at 8:30pm to approve the mill rate for 2018/2019 fiscal year, pending the approval of the budget.

Liaison Reports-

Ms. Chesebrough mentioned that she will meeting shortly with Human Services and The Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center to review options for the SEAT bus.

With no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Young made a motion to adjourn, Mr. O'Brien seconded, and voting was unanimous. **Motion carried,** and the meeting was adjourned at 8:47pm,

Respectfully Submitted,


Glenn Frishman,
Secretary

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