

May 24, 2017

The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a regular meeting on this date at the Stonington Police Department at 7:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman Rob Simmons, Selectman Mike Spellman and Selectwoman Kate Rotella. Also present were members of the public and press.

(1) Call to Order

Mr. Simmons called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance

(3) Commendation

The Selectmen issued a commendation to the Stonington Beautification Committee in recognition and in celebration of their first year as a committee.

Comments from the Public

None

(4) Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mrs. Rotella and voted unanimously to approve the May 10, 2017 Board of Selectmen regular meeting minutes.

(5) Correspondence

Mr. Simmons took in correspondence from Stephanie Hayes-Houlihan in the form of an application for membership on the Conservation Commission.

(6) Old Business

None

(7) New Business

Discussion – Tree Warden Update

Mr. Daniel Oliverio, Tree Warden, gave an update regarding the status of the projects he has been overseeing since being appointed to the position six (6) months ago. Mr. Oliverio stated that since his appointment he has taken down a number of trees that were severely decayed. Mr. Oliverio added that he works closely with Eversource as well as the IT Department to ensure updates regarding tree trimming are placed on the tree warden's webpage. Mr. Oliverio added that recently a well-loved tree was removed from Elm Street and he was able to get a new one planted in its place.

Mr. Simmons asked how many classes Mr. Oliverio attended to obtain Tree Warden Certification. Mr. Oliverio stated that he attended seven classes. Mr. Simmons stated that the tree warden position is an unpaid appointed position of which Mr. Oliverio volunteers his time. Mr. Simmons commended Mr. Oliverio for his public spirit in taking on the position. The Board thanked Mr. Oliverio for his dedication to this position.

Discussion – Request approval of Gilbane's Recommendations to Award Project Bid Packages for Deans Mill School

A motion was made by Mrs. Rotella, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to approve recommendations to award early bid packages for Deans Mill School as listed below:

- BP-02A for Demolition and Abatement awarded to AAIS Corporation of West Haven, CT in the amount of \$1,259,000.00
- BP-03A for Concrete awarded to Universal Foundations, Inc., Cheshire, CT in the amount of \$743,250.00
- BP-05A for Structural Steel awarded to Shepard Steel, Co, Inc., Hartford, CT in the amount of \$922,000.00

- BP-22A for Plumbing awarded to Ferguson Mechanical Company, Inc., Plainville, CT in the amount of \$1,192,000.00
 - Alternate #1 – Approved – For the combination of another Deans Mill School bid package for a deduct of \$20,000.00
 - Alternate #2 – Approved – For the combination of the corresponding bid package for West Vine Street School for a deduct \$20,000.00
- BP-23A for HVAC & Controls awarded to Ferguson Mechanical Company, Inc., Plainville, CT in the amount of \$3,292,000.00
 - Alternate #1 – Approved – For the combination of another Deans Mill School bid package for a deduct of \$20,000.00
 - Alternate #3 – Approved – For the combination of the corresponding bid package for West Vine Street School for a deduct \$20,000.00
- BP-26A for Electrical and Fire Alarm awarded to Custom Electric, Inc., Manchester, CT in the amount of \$1,748,000.00
 - Alternate #1 – Approved – For the combination of the corresponding bid package for West Vine Street School for a deduct \$5,000.00
- BP-31A for Sitework awarded to Mizzy Construction, Inc., Plainville CT in the amount of \$4,444,000.00
 - Alternate #3 – Approved – For the combination of the corresponding bid package for West Vine Street School for a deduct \$45,000
- The award of contract to ModSpace, Hartford, CT in the amount of \$16,967.00 for rental of trailers.

With no discussion the motion carried.

Discussion – Request approval of Gilbane’s Recommendations to Award Project Bid Packages for West Vine Street School

A motion was made by Mrs. Rotella, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to approve recommendations to award early bid packages for West Vine Street School to the following:

- BP-02A for Demolition and Abatement awarded to Southern Middlesex Industries, Inc. Norwood, MA in the amount of \$977,777.00
- BP-03A for Concrete awarded to McCarthy Concrete, Inc., South Windsor, CT in the amount of \$653,000.00
 - Alternate #1 Hold – item for the Sensory Garden
- BP-05A for Structural Steel awarded to Shepard Steel, Co, Inc., Hartford, CT in the amount of \$821,000.00
- BP-22A for Plumbing awarded to Ferguson Mechanical Company, Inc., Plainville, CT in the amount of \$1,192,000.00
 - Alternate #2 – Approved – For the combination of another West Vine Street School bid package for a deduct of \$20,000.00
 - Alternate #3 – Approved – For the combination of the corresponding bid package for Deans Mill School for a deduct \$20,000.00
- BP-23A for HVAC & Controls awarded to Ferguson Mechanical Company, Inc., Plainville, CT in the amount of \$2,897,000.00
 - Alternate #2 – Approved – For the combination of another West Vine Street School bid package for a deduct of \$20,000.00
 - Alternate #3 – Approved – For the combination of the corresponding bid package for Deans Mill School for a deduct \$20,000.00

- BP-26A for Electrical & Fire Alarms awarded to Custom Electric, Inc., Manchester, CT in the amount of \$1,771,000.00
 - Alternate #3 – Approved – For the combination for the corresponding bid package for Deans Mills School for a deduct \$5,000.00
- BP-31A for Sitework awarded to Mizzy Construction, Inc., Plainville CT in the amount of \$3,983,000.00
 - Alternate #1 - Hold – Item for the Sensory Garden
 - Alternate #3 – Approved – For the combination of the corresponding bid package for Deans Mills School for a deduct \$35,000.00

With no discussion, the motion carried.

Request for use of Donahue Park for River Glow

A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mrs. Rotella and voted unanimously to approve the use of Donahue Park on Saturday, August 5, 2017 from 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. for River Glow.

Request for authorization for Stonington Harbor Commission to tie in lighting at pump house

A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mrs. Rotella and voted unanimously to approve the request.

Request for Street Number Assignment

Assign Map 180, Block 2, Lot 36B, Street Number 2 Cove Hill Road, Mystic, CT 06355

A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mrs. Rotella and voted unanimously to approve the request.

(8) Comments from the Public

None

(9) Comments from the Selectmen

Mrs. Rotella stated that she wanted to thank everyone on the K-12 Building Committee as they worked very hard and have met weekly regarding the school projects. Mrs. Rotella added that it will be very important that the building officials make the project a priority when it comes to inspections. Mrs. Rotella thanked the Beautification Committee for all of their hard work and congratulated them on their first year.

Mr. Spellman congratulated the K-12 Building Committee and the Beautification Committee.

Mr. Simmons stated that Mr. Spellman's father brought many projects to fruition in the Town of Stonington which is critically important to ensure the Town stays current in its facilities. Mr. Simmons added that it is anticipated that thousands of new workers will be coming to our area due to Electric Boat and will be looking for beautiful places to live, with good schools and up to date facilities. Mr. Simmons stated that like Mr. Spellman's father the Board is making sure the town moves forward, develops facilities in a fashion consistent with the character of the town and provides young people with the best opportunities available. Mr. Simmons added that he is grateful to Mrs. Rotella for serving on the K-12 Committee.

Mr. Simmons stated for the record that he inadvertently omitted to mention a letter he received from Gilbane while discussing the bid awards. The letter gives insight to the award of bids. The letter will be available on file for review. Mr. Simmons thanked everyone in attendance at the meeting.

(10) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Stacey Haskell

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Recording Secretary