

**Board of Selectmen's Meeting
August 13, 2020 – 8:00 AM
Sanford Hall
155 Village Street**

Present: Glenn Trindade, Chair, Maryjane White Vice Chair; Dennis Crowley Member; John Foresto, Member.

Absent: Richard D'Innocenzo, Clerk.

Staff Present: Michael Boynton, Town Manager; Allison Potter, Assistant Town Manager; Carol Pratt, Finance Director, Barbara Saint Andre, Director, Community and Economic Development; Dave D'Amico, Director, Department of Public Works (DPW); Pete Pelletier, Deputy Director.

At 8:00 AM Selectman Trindade called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments: There were none.

Approval: Contract with Cassidy Corporation for Asphalt Sidewalks for Various Streets in Medway - \$127,831

The Board reviewed the (1) memo from Dave D'Amico, (2) bid results summary, and (3) contract.

Mr. D'Amico stated this is the last sidewalk contract for the year noting it encompasses a lot of small streets, seven bidders responded, and Green Valley was an added alternate. He reviewed the range of bids noting TASCOW who is currently doing work on Route 109 was the high bidder. He noted that the bid price does not include materials or police details, his original estimate was \$250,000 including these costs, however, he does not anticipate hitting the \$250,000 original project cost estimate inclusive of these costs.

Selectman Foresto moved that the Board authorize the Chair to execute the contract with Cassidy Corporation for asphalt sidewalks in the amount of \$127,831 as presented. Selectman White seconded. No Discussion. VOTE: 4-0-0.

Approval: Construction Change Directive No. 2 and Change Order No. 4 with Colantoni, Inc. for the New DPW Facility - \$224,000

The Board reviewed the (1) construction change directive number 2 dated August 7, 2020, and (2) change order number 4 dated August 10, 2020.

Town Manager Boynton stated there are two major issues: (1) the dispute over handling and removal of unsuitable soils, and (2) the pass through COVID-19 related compliance costs. He reported that he and Selectman Crowley meet with the contractor and project manager and came up with the solution of \$124,000 for COVID related costs and \$100,000 related to the unsuitable soils.

Selectman Crowley asked for confirmation that the change orders are written to allow submission to the State for reimbursement for the COVID related costs. Mr. Boynton confirmed. Selectman Crowley asked about the plan to submit for reimbursement for COVID related costs for the \$1million set aside by the state for Medway. Mr. Boynton noted that the Town can draw down on this amount for this

expense. Selectman Crowley asked what the first amount is we plan to submit. Ms. Pratt reported that they are working on submitting the current COVID related costs to the Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA), so she does not have an exact amount at this time. Mr. Boynton noted that whatever submitted costs that FEMA does not reimburse you can then submit those to the State. He further noted his reluctance to submit costs for reimbursement that can be covered by the existing budget in case during their future audit, they deny any of the reimbursements. He stated for Fiscal Year 20, we had sufficient money in the budget, so we did not seek reimbursements. Selectman Crowley asked why we didn't submit for these costs even if we had funds in the budget. Mr. Boynton stated that since we have no knowledge of future COVID related costs, we did not want to exhaust future funds with costs that the existing budget could cover. He explained that the CARES Act is run by the state and the FEMA fund are more restrictive on what can be requested for reimbursement. Ms. Pratt further noted that FEMA reimburses at 75%. Selectman Trindade reported about his discussion with Superintendent Pires related to students being in school part-time and the extensive cleaning requirements with the associated anticipated high costs. There was further discussion on COVID related costs and how this will be submitted for both the Town and School. It was noted the School is still determining the COVID related costs.

Selectman Foresto moved that the Board authorize the Chair to execute construction change directive number 2 for the new DPW facility in the amount of \$224,000 as presented. Selectman White seconded. No Discussion. VOTE: 4-0-0.

Selectman Trindade stated that he and Tim Harris review the site each weekend and shared Mr. Harris's positive feedback about the state of the jobsite. He stated two concerns, (1) hydroseeding of the hill to prevent soil washout, and (2) the potential for vandalism to the solar panels from the hill of the cemetery.

Selectman Foresto moved that the Board authorize the Chair to execute change order number 4 for the new DPW facility in the amount of \$224,000 as presented. Selectman White seconded. No Discussion. VOTE: 4-0-0.

Approval: Purchase and Sale Agreements for 13 and 15R Populatic Street - \$ 370,000 and \$20,000, Respectively

The Board reviewed the purchase and sale agreements for 13 and 15R Population Street.

Town Manager Boynton stated this is same purchase price of \$390,000 but due to the way the estate is set up in probate court there was a need to set this up as a license to sell. Selectman Crowley ask if a home inspection needs to be scheduled and asked if anyone has walked through the house. Ms. Saint Andre stated a phase 1 environmental evaluation was done on the property but not an actual home inspection. There was further discussion on the requirement for a home inspection and the efficacy of repairing the home for a potential renter until the groundbreaking of the treatment facility. Mr. Boynton noted that we need to have the design of treatment facility before we can decide on what to do with the house. Selectman Foresto suggested sending the Building Inspector out to evaluate the house. The Selectmen agreed and requested a report on the inspector's findings.

Selectman Foresto moved that the Board authorize the Chair to execute the purchase and sale agreement for 13 Populatic Street in the amount of \$370,000 as presented. Selectman White seconded. No Discussion. VOTE: 4-0-0.

Selectman Foresto moved that the Board authorize the Chair to execute the purchase and sale agreement for 15R Populatic Street in the amount of \$20,000 as presented. Selectman White seconded. No Discussion. VOTE: 4-0-0.

Selectman Crowley requested a status on the American Legion Building. Selectman Trindade reported the Affordable Housing Trust is actively trying to sell it to a commercial developer noting the difficulty due to the state requirements related to this process and the inability to just donate the property to the Town. There was further discussion about the potential for a commercial developer.

At 8:27 AM Selectman White moved to adjourn. Selectman Foresto seconded. VOTE: 4-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Liz Langley
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Town Manager's Office