

**Town of Stratton  
Selectmen's Meeting  
April 25, 2016**

**Present:** Selectmen: Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci and Kevin Robinson; Road Foreman - Ralph Staib; Deputy Sheriff David Upton; Tom Fuller of Fuller Sand and Gravel; Robert Mitchell of Mitchell Sand and Gravel; Mike Mullins of Pike Industries and Clerk – Kent Young.

Al Dupell called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. Orders were reviewed and signed.

**Modifications to the Agenda:** Consider Town Hall Use request was added to the agenda.

**Yearly Bids:** The Selectmen considered the following bids, which were advertised and requested from various contractors:

**Paving:**

**Fuller Sand and Gravel:** \$50.00/ton for blacktop, \$15.00/cubic yard for shoulder gravel.

**Peckham Road Corp.:** \$6.79/sq. yd. for blacktop, \$2.98 / sq. yard shoulder gravel. – rejected not bid as per RFP.

**Pike Industries:** \$52.20/ton for blacktop, \$15.00/cubic yard for shoulder gravel.

**Wilk Paving:** \$64.15/ton for blacktop, \$42.00/cubic yard for shoulder gravel.

Larry Bills moved to accept the bid of Fuller Sand and Gravel. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred. At this time, Tom Fuller and Mike Mullins left the meeting.

**Gravel:**

**Cersosimo Industries, Inc.** for 1” shoulder material for \$21.50/cubic yard delivered or \$16.50 from the Jamaica Pit. 1½” material for the same price delivered or \$16.00 / cubic yard from the Jamaica Pit.

**Mitchell Sand and Gravel:** 4” gravel \$19.70/ cubic yard delivered or \$12.50/ cubic yard from the pit. 1” gravel \$19.70/ cubic yard delivered or \$12.50 / cubic yard from the pit (located in New Hampshire).

Greg Marcucci moved to purchase “gravel to be delivered” from Mitchel Sand and Gravel and any pick ups from the pit will be from Cersosimo at the Jamaica Pit. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred. At this time, Robert Mitchell left the meeting.

**Sand:**

The only bid received for sand was from **Cersosimo Industries, Inc.** – 9/16” winter sand at \$8.25/cubic yard from the pit or \$18.75/cubic yard delivered if >1000 cubic yards. Larry Bills moved to accept this bid. Chris Liller seconded. All concurred.

**Mowing:**

**Ben Lowe:**

Town Hall, Town Office, Meetinghouse and schoolhouse at \$60.00 per time.

Rec Area at \$220.00 per time.

**Re-Pete Property Maintenance Services:**

Town Hall, Town Office, Meetinghouse and schoolhouse at \$75.00 per time.

Rec Area at \$250.00 per time.

The Clerk sated that VLCT-PACIF will now apply a percentage to hired work not covered by Workman's Compensation Insurance. Ben Lowe apparently does not have coverage; therefore, we should add 5.7%, as per the VLCT-PACIF chart, to cover the extra expense to the Town. (This would add \$12.54 to Ben Lowe's Rec Area bid and \$4.28 to the Town buildings area bid.). Re-Pete Property Maintenance Service has Workman's Compensation Insurance, so no change was made to that bid.

Larry Bills moved to accept the bids from Ben Lowe. Kevin Robinson seconded. All concurred.

**Roadside Mowing:**

**Dana Bemis** bid \$58.00/hr.

Chris Liller moved to accept Dana Bemis's bid. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred.

**CaCl or MgCl:**

**Peckham Industries, Inc.:** \$0.99/gallon of 35% mixture delivered and applied or \$0.99 bulk delivery or 32% CaCl w/inhibitor bulk delivery for \$1.17/gallon.

**All States Asphalt, Inc.:** at \$1.02/gallon of 35% mixture delivered and applied or \$0.92 bulk delivery or \$1.28/gallon for 32% mixture bulk delivery.

**Innovative Surface Solutions:** Winter mixture of MgCl \$0.84/gallon bulk delivery and Summer mixtures of MgCl at \$0.79/gallon bulk delivery. Liquid Magic Minus Zero at \$1.22/gallon.

Ralph Staib said that we are still contracted to purchase the Liquid Magic Minus Zero.

Larry Bills moved to accept All States Asphalt Inc.'s bid for CaCl and to purchase Liquid Magic Minus Zero from Innovative Surface Solutions. Greg Marcucci seconded. All concurred.

**Town Hall Generator replacement:** During the April 11 and April 18 meetings, the Selectmen had reviewed several quotes for various generators. **Ward Electric** had bid a replacement of the Generac 6459 16kW generator for \$4,350.00 + \$350.00 for a cold weather kit. **Powers Guaranteed Generators** had submitted bids as follows: a Generac 6459 16kW generator for \$9,356; a Kohler 20RES20 20kW generator (and transfer switch) for \$9,703.00 or a Kohler 24RCL 24kW generator (and transfer switch) for \$17,715.00. **Southworth Electrical** bid a 24RCL Kohler 24kW generator to supply both the Town Hall and Town Office (two transfer switches and a manual switch to use the 16kW Town Office Generac as a backup plus wiring to both buildings) for \$16,825.00 replacement generators made by Generac and Kohler, submitted by Ward Electric and by Powers Guaranteed Generators. The Selectmen had agreed to proceed with a single 24kW low rpm (1800 rpm) liquid-cooled generator to supply both buildings and accepted the Southworth Electrical bid. Chris Liller so moved. Greg Marcucci seconded. All concurred. Chris Liller stated that the generator could be installed on Wednesday – the Road Crew will dig the trench across the parking lot at that time. Greg Marcucci asked to have W2D to perform the gas hook up.

**Road Crew Issues: County Rd. Culvert Replacement:** Ralph Staib reported that he had ordered the culvert and the Grant application has been submitted. **Viewing Town Roads:** The Selectmen agreed to warn a meeting to view Town Roads on Tuesday, May 3, 2016. The Board will meet at the Town Office at 6:30pm and then proceed on a site visit of Town Roads. The Clerk agreed to warn and post the meeting.

**Transfer Station:** The Clerk revised the Transfer Station Policy to include a charge for small quantities of household waste (16 gallons or less) at \$1.00 per bag or container. Larry Bills moved to approve the revision. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred. The Clerk stated that he had discussed this with the attendant and that he will punch tickets a certain way to denote \$1.00 punches differently than \$2.00. When new tickets need to be printed, the Clerk will revise the ticket for 40 - \$1.00 punches each.

**Minutes:** Greg Marcucci moved to approve the Liquor Control Board minutes for April 11, 2016 and the Selectmen's minutes of April 11 and 18, 2016. Kevin Robinson seconded the motion. All concurred - the minutes were approved.

**Automatic Fire Alarm Regulations:** The Selectmen reviewed a revision of said ordinance that added contact information to the registration form. Larry Bills moved to approve the revision. Greg Marcucci seconded – all concurred.

**Potential purchase of TransCanada property by the State of Vermont:** WRC had asked for opinions concerning the possibility that Vermont may purchase land and infrastructure, including dams, currently owned by TransCanada. The Selectmen questioned if the State is constitutionally allowed to own property outside of the State? Is that not the case if they buy dams across the Connecticut, as the State line is the VT shoreline. Secondly, the Selectmen do not think the State of Vermont should be in the Power business. They believe it will create additional tax burdens on the taxpayers - especially since they believe the project will be mismanaged if State Gov. gets involved. Additionally, although a small issue for Stratton, PILT payments on State owned lands will not sufficiently compensate the loss of property taxes to Towns affected by this purchase. The Clerk agreed to forward the opinion to WRC and to Oliver Olsen.

**Town Hall:** The Selectmen reviewed a request from Alyson Marcucci for use of the Town Hall on Saturday, April 30, 2016. Chris Liller moved to allow. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred.

**Adjourn:** Chris Liller motioned to adjourn at 8:35p.m.. Greg Marcucci seconded. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:

*David Kent Young*