Town of Stratton Selectman's Meeting

April 8, 2024

Present: Selectman: Chair – Al Dupell, Larry Bills, Chris Liller, Greg Marcucci, and Boomer Walker; Clerk, Kent Young; Tom Fuller and Zach Fuller of Fuller Sand & Gravel; Lucien Ducharme of Daniel's Construction; Bret Carter of Hunter Excavating; and Archie Clark of AS Clark & Sons.

7:30 pm: Al Dupell called the meeting to order. Orders were reviewed and signed. No modifications were made.

Yearly Bids: Al Dupell opened and read out the following bids:

Paving (of upper section of Stratton-Arlington Rd.):

Pike Industries: -\$99.20/ton paving, \$2.30/yd² reclaim and \$60.00/ton shoulder gravel. Total -\$505,772.00.

Bazin Bros.: - \$101.00/ton paving, \$4.30/yd² reclaim and \$56.00/yd³ shoulder gravel. Total - \$539,170.00.

Peckham Road Corp.: - \$113.00/ton Type 4 mix and \$104.00/ton Type 2 mix, \$3.20/yd² reclaim, \$38.50/ton shoulder gravel. Total - \$573,803.00.

All States Construction, Inc.: Paving – Type 2 - \$114.00/ton for \$308,940, Type 4 - \$144.00/ton for \$182,400.00, Reclaim - \$56,260.00, shoulder gravel - \$60.00/ton. Total - \$581,200.00.

Fuller Sand and Gravel – Paving 92.50/ton, reclaim - $2.00/yd^2$, shoulder gravel - 25.00/ton. Total 451,475.00.

Larry Bills moved to accept the bid from Fuller Sand and Gravel. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Culvert Replacements (16 culverts on Stratton Arlington Rd.):

AS Clark and Sons: \$63,850.00 Hunter Excavating: \$38,000.00

Re-Pete Property Maintenance Services: \$56,000.00

Daniels Construction: \$94,450.00

Larry Bills moved to accept the bid of Hunter Excavating. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Winter Sand:

Hunter Excavating - \$31.50/yd³ (\$31,500.00 per 1000 yd³)

Derrig Excavating - \$34.00/yd³.

Larry Bills moved to accept the bid of Hunter Excavating, contingent on samples being submitted and approved of by the Road Foreman. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Gravel:

Hunter Excavating – (FOB or from the pit) 4" \$25.00/yd³, 1" \$27.00/yd³

Cersosimo Industries, Inc. -1" \$20.00/yd³ FOB or \$27.50/yd³ pit; 3" \$18.00 yd³ pit or \$25.50 / yd³ delivered.

Discussion concerned quality of the stone. Larry Bills moved to accept bid for gravel from Hunter Excavating and stone from Cersosimo Industries. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Roadside Mowing:

Dana Bemis - \$72.00/hr. (only submission). Larry Bills moved to accept this bid. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Town Mowing (Town Office, Town Hall, Meeting House):

Re-Pete Property Maintenance Services: \$100.00 each mowing (\$65.00/hr for spring/fall clean-up)

Chapin Logging and Property Maintenance: \$90.00 each mowing (\$50.00/hr spring/fall clean-up).

Town Mowing (Recreation Area):

Re-Pete Property Maintenance Services: \$285.00 each mowing (\$65.00/hr for spring/fall clean-up)

Chapin Logging and Property Maintenance: \$275.00 each mowing (\$50.00/hr spring/fall clean-up).

Boomer Walker moved to accept bids for all Town mowing (above) from Chapin Logging and Property Maintenance. Greg Marcucci seconded. All concurred. At this time, Lucien Ducharme, Bret Carter, and Archie Clark left the meeting.

Road Crew Issues: County Rd.: The Selectmen discussed the needed preparations for the possible paving of County Rd. with Tom and Zach Fuller. It was recommended to obtain borings throughout the roadway to determine its base. Mr. Fuller offered services in analyzing boring once they are obtained. Chris Liller will make arrangements to acquire samples. This road is Class 3, so no grants will be available for paving it; therefore, it may be quite a long time before paying funds can be adequately raised. Following the discussion the Fullers left the meeting. Garage Generator: The garage generator is in need of replacement. Chris Liller will look into getting quotes to consider at the next meeting. The Treasurer had relayed that funds are available in the Equipment Replacement Fund. Propane: The Board agreed to look into getting price quotes for propane. FLEET Permits: Boomer Walker moved to approve the following FLEET permits: Cota & Cota, Inc. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred and Al Dupell signed the permit. Grout **Pond Rd. Project**: A Public Hearing regarding said project will be held on April 15, 2024 at 6:00pm at the Stratton Town Office. Transfer Station: Scott Marquis will be out for a while longer. Mark Ellison has agreed to cover for him. The Board agreed to have the Transfer Station closed each year for the holidays that may fall on any day the facility is scheduled to be open, including Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years, Easter or any other recognized holiday. Green Mountain Power Mountain Rd. Project: A representative will attend the next meeting to discuss said project.

Town Hall Rentals: Boomer Walker moved to allow Jared LaMarche use of the facility on May 4, 2024 and the Wadsworth Co. the use on May 16 & 17, 2024. Chris Liller seconded – all concurred.

Automatic Fire Alarms: The Selectmen approve letters billing for services regarding The Stratton Mountain Fire Co.'s response to multiple alarms, as per the Town Ordinance. These letters are addressed to 1) Stratton Corp.: Golf School located at 414 Pikes Falls Rd. – for three false alarms (February 12 and 14 and March 27, 2024) similar to 17 false or negligent alarms at this location in recent history and 2) Niederhoffer 44 Sunbowl Ridge Rd. for a defective CO detector response on 2/14 and a defective sprinkler alarm on 2/14. The Chair signed the letters and the Clerk agreed to mail them out.

Minutes: Boomer Walker motioned to approve the Selectman's minutes of March 25, 2024. Larry Bills seconded – all concurred.

Adjourn: Greg Marcucci motioned to adjourn at 9:00 pm. Boomer Walker seconded – all concurred.

Minutes by:

David Kent Young
David Kent Young, Clerk