

Board of Selectmen
First Selectman's Office
October 8, 2013
Special Meeting Minutes

Selectmen Present: Mark Walter, Emmett Lyman, John Blaschik
Also Present: Beth Lunt, Tiffany Quinn, Deb Denette, Linda Zemienieski

1. First Selectman Walter called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and the attendees said the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Bid Waiver – Transfer Station Hopper Repair: Public Works Administrator, Beth Lunt, reported that three quotes were obtained to perform repairs to the Transfer Station hopper as specified by the design specifications of WMC Consulting Engineers. The three quotes ranged from \$22,000 to \$12,278. Due to the urgency of the repair to allow commercial haulers to once again dump at the Transfer Station she requested that the Board of Selectmen waive the purchasing ordinance requiring the competitive bid process. Upon review of the submitted quotes and a check on references Ms. Lunt recommended awarding the project to Carlson Welding and Fabrication, LLC for \$12,278.

She explained that this repair was a short term fix and could last anywhere from two to eight years. She added that replacing the steel would be a longer fix and would be priced somewhere around \$60,000. Mr. Blaschik questioned if rumors were correct that previous administration down-sized the hopper. Ms. Lunt replied that it was down-sized to meet DOT road restriction weight limits.

Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to waive the bid process for the repair of the Transfer Station hopper due to the urgency of the repair and authorize the Public Works Administrator to negotiate with Carlson Welding and Fabrication, LLC per their quote of \$12,278.00 for this work. Unanimous aye.

3. Call for Town Meeting: The Selectmen briefly discussed the call for Town Meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Blaschik, to approve the following call for Town Meeting:

The Electors and citizens of the Town of East Haddam, Connecticut qualified to vote in Town Meeting are hereby warned and notified that a Special Town Meeting will be held in the Grange Hall on Town Street in the said Town of East Haddam at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 2013 for the following purposes, to wit:

Item 1: To consider and act upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that a grant in the amount of \$4,000 is hereby accepted from the State of Connecticut, State Library, for the purpose of historic document preservation and appropriated to Fund 14 - Historic Document Preservation Fund; and that Mark B. Walter, First Selectman, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of this municipality, a contract with the Connecticut State Library for an Historic Document Preservation Grant.
Unanimous Aye.

4. Ordinance Review: Deb Denette recommended approving the ordinance book as is and following up with ordinance changes at later dates on an item by item basis. She noted that she did not feel that we would be able to complete this project before Mr. Blaschik's term ended. She explained that General Code's calendar was full for October and they would not be available to come to East Haddam until November. When they come they will review the final steps to bring this to Public Hearing and then Town Meeting.

The board discussed engaging Mr. Malavasi, who will be taking a selectman seat in November, now so he will be up to speed on this project. Ms. Zemienieski will reach out to Mr. Malavasi and check on his availability for future meetings. Mr. Blaschik's noted that he planned to turn his ordinance book and keys over to Mr. Malavasi on election night. Ms. Denette noted that she will forward Mr. Malavasi an electronic copy of the ordinance book so he can get started on its review.

5. Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Walter, seconded by Mr. Lyman, to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Tape: None

Respectfully submitted,

Emmett Lyman, Secretary