

**SELECT BOARD MEETING  
MAY 2, 2011**

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Paul Rooney; Selectperson Denise Lindahl; Selectperson Drexell White; Barbara O’Leary, Town Administrator; Jeanine Tucker, Town Clerk; Amon Morse Road Commissioner and Bill Lane for Gartley & Dorsky.

**Town Parking Lot Plowing Bids:**

Chairman Paul Rooney opened the meeting by announcing that bids for the plowing of Town parking lots were going to be rejected and the project will be advertised with new specifications. The current spec’s stated that the Town would supply the salt/sand mixture. The details of how the mixture would be supplied were unclear, therefore the Board decided to scrap the original plan and revise it and excluding the salt and sand.

**Under motion by** Paul Rooney second by Drexell White the Board voted 3-0 to re-advertise the Parking lot plowing bids as amended with a bid deadline of 11a.m. May 28<sup>th</sup> for review at the first Board meeting in June.

**Winter Roads Plowing/Maintenance Bids:**

Contractor	1 <sup>st</sup> Year	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	Total	Fuel Chg
Suydam & Son’s	117,000	119,000	121,000	<b>357,000</b>	If Over \$5/Gal.
Farley & Son’s	111,200	114,536	117,973	<b>343,709</b>	None
MoPa	116,000	116,000	116,000	<b>348,000</b>	If Over \$6/Gal.
Wayne’s Landscaping	--NOT--	---BROKEN--	--DOWN--	<b>468,999</b>	None
Pelletier & Daughters	115,000	115,000	115,000	<b>345,000</b>	None
T.R. Ginese	118,400	120,000	123,200	<b>361,600</b>	None

The Board compared bids based on equipment and references listed, if provided. They discussed fuel surcharges and how some contractors opted not to include a fuel surcharge. After much discussion the Board decided to award the bid to MoPa as they have had good recent history with the Town.

**Under motion by** Paul Rooney second by Denise Lindahl the Board voted 3-0 to award the bid to MoPa for the three-year contract of \$348,000 with a fuel surcharge if the price is over \$6/gallon.

**Salt/Sand Shed Construction Bids:**

With Bill Lane of Gartley & Dorsky present the Board opened the bids received for the salt/sand shed construction. There were four bids received, results are as follows:

Contractor	Total Bid	Ledge Removal Method/ cubic yd	
		Blasting	Mechanical
Eastern Construction Co.	313,900	500	500
Northeast Equipment & Supply Co.	319,750	375	250
E.J. Perry Construction Co., INC	344,872	151	302
David P. Trask & Son, INC	259,000	150	300

Chairman Paul Rooney asked Bill Lane if there were any insights he had to offer. Lane stated that they bidders were all good contractors, but added that they needed to identify the apparent low bidder.

Selectperson Denise Lindahl added that the lowest bid looked best when it comes to financial considerations, but that it would all be contingent upon approval at Town Meeting.

**Under motion by** Denise Lindahl second by Paul Rooney the Board voted 3-0 to award the bid; contingent upon voter approval of the project at Town Meeting; to David P. Trask & Son, INC.

The Board discussed with Lane estimated ‘ceiling’ costs of the project now that a contractor has been decided on. Lane explained that additional expenses should not cause a serious overrun. He added that there was no expectation of issues with ledge after the initial tests were done.

The Board then discussed the plans and costs associated with the electricity service connection with Lane. He explained that the electrical contractor would cover the first \$5,000 of the expense in his fees. Board member Drexell White asked about electrical outlets inside the building, Lane told him that two will be inside the building and one will be outside.

Pavement is intended to be the minimum required by the Department of Environmental Protection in an effort to keep the cost of pavement down.

White also inquired about ‘Trucks Entering’ signage needing to be placed on Route 1. Lane said that would not be necessary since the Department of Transportation has a similar facility across the street with no signage.

Lane informed the Board that a potential high end cost could be estimated at \$290,000 maximum, but that \$285,000.00 would be safe middle ground. White suggested that the Warrant Article for Town Meeting should state \$289,000.

**Under motion by** Drexell White second by Paul Rooney the Board voted 3-0 to list the Warrant Article at \$289,000.

White asked Administrator Barbara O’Leary if she would get some references and a list of projects that Trask has done so it could be available for the informational meeting on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

O’Leary told the Board that she is still in the process of finding out if the financing of the project required bonding or if it could be done as a regular loan to the Town. Maine Municipal Association told her that bonding is not required and that the Town would not need bonding council.

The Board then asked O'Leary if she would do some calculating, prior to the informational meeting, so that taxpayers could be informed of what the impact of approving the Salt/Sand Shed would have on their annual tax bill.

## **Roads and Bridges:**

### **Street Sweeping:**

Road Commissioner Amon Morse informed the Board that street sweeping would begin in two weeks. The rain has delayed the company on their other projects, but they should be able to start in Northport mid month.

### **Bonding of the Road Commissioner:**

Administrator O'Leary had found that the Road Commissioner needs to be 'Bondable', but the Town Insurance will cover them in the event they aren't bonded. O'Leary added that the position would be required to be bondable and the topic should be discussed with attorney William Kelley, but can be addressed after Town Meeting.

### **Road Repairs/Maintenance:**

Morse reported to the Board of what projects have been completed and what projects were still in the works. Rooney asked when the posted signs would be coming down. Morse said they would be down in the next couple of days, however he would be leaving the restrictions on the dirt roads.

Administrator O'Leary relayed a request from Tim Patten at the Transfer Station. Tim informed O'Leary that the road around the brush pile needs grading. Morse said that he would add that to the list of grading to be done.

### **Transfer Station:**

Transfer Station Attendant Tim Patten had spoken with O'Leary about the electric waste building and how it is starting to sink. Patten explained that the building would need to be emptied in order to jack it up. He added that while it was empty he would like to paint the floor, which was one of the comments in the review. O'Leary said that she told Patten she needs an estimate before any work begins.

### **Compost Bins:**

Barbara Peabody updated O'Leary about the compost bin sale. O'Leary said that Peabody suggested skipping the program next year since this year resulted in another light order.

While they were conversing Peabody informed O'Leary that she recently graduated from the University of Maine with a G.I.S. Mapping degree. She offered to volunteer her services in exchange for experience. The Board was very much in favor of this especially in regards to the Beech Ridge Cemetery.

### **LD1476 Streamlining County Gov't. Process:**

Kathy Littlefield circulated an e-mail regarding proposed legislation that would change the County Budget process. The proposed changes in LD1476 would eliminate the

County Budget Committee and eliminate all but three County Commissioners. In the e-mail Littlefield asked municipalities in favor of the current process to sign a pre-drafted letter of support and return it to her. In turn she would forward it to the proper office in Augusta for presentation at the hearing.

**Under motion by** Drexell White second by Paul Rooney the Board voted 3-0 to sign the letter of opposition.

**Waldo County Hazard Mitigation Plan:**

The Board was asked to sign the F.E.M.A. agreement for the Waldo County Hazard Mitigation Plan by Emergency Management Director Peter Simpson. Board member White asked to see the text of the plan before he signed it. Simpson assured him that it was standard information and that it was part of the already approved Emergency Management Plan.

**Under motion by** Paul Rooney second by Drexell White the Board voted 3-0 to sign the plan.

**Fire Department:**

Paul Rooney updated the other Board members as to the results of the recent Bureau of Labor Standards inspection. Rooney said that all files were reviewed and they passed the inspection with flying colors.

Warrants were approved and signed.

**Under motion by** Paul Rooney second by Drexell White the Board voted 3-0 to adjourn at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanine Tucker  
Town Clerk