

**TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN
SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 1, 2023, 7:00 P.M.
TOWN OFFICE BUILDING**

Present: Larry Hebert, Chris Wade, Clayton Woodworth, Scott McCarthy

Absent: Chris Peloquin

Attendance: David Wilder - Road Foreman, Jacqueline Higgins – Town Manager, Rodney Graham – Williamstown Resident

Meeting called to order at 7:15 (Chairman waited and additional 15 minutes for the full board to be in attendance).

Agenda approved as written (no additions or deletions).

No Public Comments.

No Selectboard Comments.

No Public Announcements.

No Commission/Committees/Trustees/Other Board Announcements.

Approve Warrants: At this time Larry Hebert recused himself from the Selectboard as his business Hebert Excavation had invoices submitted for payment. Chris Wade as Vice-Chairman of the Selectboard took over the meeting.

Chris made the motion to approve SB22054 and SB22055. Clayton second. All those in favor: Chris Wade, Clayton Woodworth, Scott McCarthy. Opposed: None. Recused: Larry Hebert. So moved.

New Business:

South Hill Road Repair - Three sealed bids were submitted to the Town Manager's office. S.D. Ireland Brothers, Inc., Ward's Excavation and Hebert Excavation.

Larry Hebert recused himself from the Selectboard as Hebert Excavation had submitted a bid.

Bids were opened in the following order:

S.D. Ireland Brothers, Inc. - \$319,100.00

Ward's Excavation - \$198,800.00

Hebert Excavation - \$141,540.00

Clayton made motion to accept Hebert Excavation bid of \$141,540.00 to repair South Hill Road. Scott second. All those in favor: Clayton Woodworth, Scott McCarthy and Chris Wade. Opposed: None. Recused: Larry Hebert. So moved.

Rodney Graham did ask if any help was being done for Covey farm flood damage. Larry stated that Ben Covey has been in the loop of all meetings with contractors and FEMA and is applying for help through Agriculture FEMA assistance for the damage to his pasture and that the town was supporting in anyway we can.

At this time Larry Hebert took over running the meeting.

Gilbert Road Culvert Purchase:

Contech Engineered Solutions submitted a price for an Aluminum Plate Structure 13' 1" x 8' 4" Rise X 81' Length. Cost \$57,321.00. Assembly \$23,866.00.

Scott made motion to purchase structure from Contech. Clayton second. All those in favor: Scott McCarthy, Chris Wade, Clayton Woodworth and Larry Hebert. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

Town Manager read the updated report on road repairs completed and pending from Flood damage.

Old Business: None

Around The Table: Dave Wilder wanted to publicly thank all the contractors: Logan Clark, REM (Bobby Molinaro), Rex Thompson, Chris Peloquin, Hebert Excavation, and individuals, Chris Wade, Ed Farnham, Bruce Martin for coming forward to help pull the town roads back together. The support was truly appreciated.

Executive Session: Not needed.

Adjourn: Clayton made motion to adjourn at 7:49 p.m. Chris Wade second. So moved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacqueline Higgins

Larry Hebert

Chris Wade

Clayton Woodworth

Scott McCarthy

