

## Selectmen's minutes of meeting September 23, 2019

Members present: Mark Newman, Brian O'Rourke, Dolores Harasyko, Admin. Asst.

Members absent: George Riley

Called to order 7:00 p.m.

Minutes reviewed and signed

Purchase orders reviewed and signed

Larry Dwyer in representing the Green Team explained that the bid process they used for the insulation and electrical work was correct. Since we are a Green Community we are exempt from some of the bidding rules.

Motion by Brian, second by Mark to award the insulation bid to Double R for \$14,902. They will require 50% down before they start work.

Motion by Brian, second by Mark to award the electrical work to D. E. Wilber for \$8,562.23.

Discussed a dumpster for the insulation work.

Public Safety Officer (PSO) Mike Johnson in to present a grant for Safe Grants to work with the seniors for 1,500. It is a non matching grant. It can be used for CO2 detectors or training classes. Nina Carr was very pleased with Mike's presentation to the Council on Aging regarding this grant. Grant reviewed and signed by the Selectmen.

Jeff Bye from the Broadband Committee in to discuss the Contribution and Assessment Agreement for the Town's obligation to repay the Commonwealth for the Town's share of the grant award to Charter in the amount of \$826,680.

There are three options, 10, 15, and 20 year payback plans. We will table this until the Selectmen have the chance to meet with the Town Accountant and the Town Treasurer to discuss alternative funding options. All selectmen agree on a 15 year payback.

Discussed the bulky waste collection for October. We will have 2 boxes available for Oct. 16, 19, 20, 23, 26 and 27.

Selectmen's updates:

Mark discussed the cardboard compactor.

Brian thanked Keith Larson for working on the Route 57 bridge for the past 9 days to complete the painting job. The bridge is now 100% painted.

West Hubbard Road and River Road chip seal project is complete.

Nina Carr would like a letter of support to help with the rural school issues. George will check into this as he may have already done this.

Reviewed mail

Reviewed and signed warrants

Brenda Larson commented that she noticed Tony at the Transfer Station having a difficult time with some people that didn't have a transfer station sticker. Dolores explained that he now has a log book to write these types of problems in. Brad will be checking the log book weekly. Mike Johnson also said he will check in with Tony weekly.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Mark Newman

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Brian O'Rourke