

Board members present: W. James Griswold and Frank W. Reinhold, Jr.

Others present: Diane L. Guimond, Town Administrator; Caren Rossi, Planning & Zoning Secretary; Randy Stevens, Highway Supervisor; Huw Powell; Seth Peters; Linda Reinhold, Town Clerk/Tax Collector; Cynthia Copeland, Strafford Regional Planning Commission Executive Director; Miranda McGowen, Strafford Regional Planning Commission Transportation Planner; Laurel Cox, Land Protection Administrator; Jeffrey Vaillencourt; Ryan Vaillencourt; Allan Pelletier, representative for Severino Construction; Bud Finemore, representative for JAMCO and Donna F. Eisenhard, Recording Secretary.

1. Selectman Reinhold called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Non-Public Session: Selectman Reinhold made a motion to enter into Non-Public Session for legal matters. Selectman Griswold seconded. Selectman Reinhold polled for a vote: Reinhold-aye; Griswold-aye. Motion passes. The Board entered into Non-Public Session at 6:05 p.m. The Board exited Non-Public Session at 6:21 p.m. and re-entered the Regular Session.

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2. Town Administrator – correspondence, Selectmen action items, etc:

The Board approved a vacation request for the Highway Supervisor.

The Board approved a vacation request for the Transfer Station Manager.

Town Administrator Guimond informed the Board that Dawn Hayes accepted the position of new Town Secretary. She will begin her duties on May 18th.

3. Town Secretary – manifests, minutes, etc:

Manifests presented were reviewed and authorized for payment. Manifest #41 for 4/25/09 totaled \$36,686.48

Selectman Reinhold made a motion to accept, as corrected, minutes from the April 13, 2009 Regular Session and, as presented, minutes from the April 21, 2009 Work Session, April 21, 2009 Non-Public Session#1, April 21, 2009 Non-Public Session#2, April 21,

2009 Non-Public Session#3 and April 21, 2009 Non-Public Session#4. Selectman Griswold seconded. Selectman Reinhold called for a discussion. There being none, Selectman Reinhold called for a vote. Motion passes.

The Board signed an Appointment Slip for Benjamin Genes as Deputy Treasurer.

Recording Secretary Donna Eisenhard presented the bid proposals for the firewood at the Transfer Station which were as follows:

Jere Beckman \$125.00

Bruce Larson \$101.00

Rick Stevens \$ 75.00

Following this, Selectman Griswold made a motion to award the bid to Jere Beckman. Selectman Reinhold seconded. Selectman Reinhold called for a discussion. There being none, Selectman Reinhold called for a vote. Motion passes. Transfer Station manager Rice will be asked to contact Mr. Beckman.

[4. Non-Public Sessions: Held earlier.](#)

[5. New Business.](#)

A. The Board asked that Information Technology Director Buslovich be asked to post information about the Swine Flu epidemic on the website. Selectman Reinhold said he could get information to use as a guide from the State website or the Center for Communicable Diseases regarding what to say.

B. Cynthia Copeland, Executive Director for Strafford Regional Planning Commission and Miranda McGowen, SRPC Transportation Planner met with the Board to discuss and examine the 2009-2018 Ten-year plan for necessary changes. She said each municipality should review projects listed in the 2009-2018 Ten-year plan and determine if existing timelines, funding levels and priority of project are still accurate. She said the town's task was to let them know if a project has been constructed, needs to be delayed or is no longer a municipal priority. Selectman Reinhold said our last priority was Phase III of the Route 125 Corridor Study. Mrs. Copeland said they did Phase I and Phase II and are now going to the engineering phase as they felt it was important to connect Route 101 with Route 16 – the Spaulding Turnpike. She said a town would not have to pay for the preliminary design. Ms. McGowen said Route 125 and the Lee Traffic circle is in the long-range plan for 20-30 years. Selectman Reinhold said we need corrections to the Lee Traffic Circle. Selectman Griswold said the trouble is you have a State and Federal Highway. Mrs. Copeland said Phase II incorporated Barrington's Town Center and they have a Memorandum of Understanding with DOT. She said the Barrington Planning Board is pleased with the way its functioning. Selectman Reinhold said we have not discussed any priorities except the long-range plan. He said the

problem is that Route 155 has become a high priority traffic area. Town Administrator Guimond asked if the Route 152/125 optical light had been done, as requested by Chief Murch. P&Z Secretary Rossi said it had. Seth Peters said he spoke with the State Highway Department and they want a parking area behind McDonald's. Selectman Reinhold said that area is very wet. Mrs. Copeland said there is keen interest because its part of mitigation for the Little Bay Bridge, Route 4 and Route 125 area and they must put in a lot due to the Scammell Bridge. Ms. McGowen said there is a lot of interest in Seacoast to Boston and Seacoast to Manchester bus routes as well. She said, right now, there is no place for people to park to board a bus or ride-share. Selectman Griswold said putting a bus depot at the Circle is a great way to go. Mrs. Copeland said they are discussing busing down Route 125 East to Durham. Ms. McGowen asked if the Board looked at the February 23rd letter. Selectman Reinhold said they had. Mrs. Copeland reminded the Board there are other sources for funding coming up, three this summer. Ms. McGowen said there are air quality grants asking 80% Federal and 20% local such as things that enhance walking and biking trails and reduce emissions. She said there are also safe routes to school grants. A discussion followed on why and why not some of this would not work for Lee. Mrs. Copeland said Newmarket is an example of this regarding lights, sidewalks and underground. Selectman Reinhold said this is not a conducive time at the present. Mrs. Copeland said if you do an application now and start the process, you would not get funds until 2010 anyway. Selectman Reinhold said taxpayers may not want some of these things so it would be a waste of time. LPA Cox asked what the due date was for applications and Mrs. Copeland said she did not know but there is Safe Routes to School funding. Selectman Reinhold said the Board would assign an appropriate person to investigate. Selectman Griswold said he believed all Oyster River students have to be bused. Selectman Reinhold said the Board would work on it some more and see if they could get a grant. Ms. McGowen said they need this by Friday. The Board thanked them for coming. A copy of the February 23rd letter becomes a permanent part of these minutes.

6. Old Business.

A. Planning & Zoning Secretary Caren Rossi presented the bids for the Old Mill Road Project, which included those for material hauling and those for vegetative cover, for the Board's opening and review. Bid proposal were as follows:

Material Hauling –

Green & Russell, Inc.	\$1,499,900
Mick Trucking	\$1,123,995
David W. White & Son	\$1,327,199
Earth	\$1,883,990
Jamco Excavators	\$ 685,382
SUR	\$ 865,000
Severino	\$ 960,000
Ford Construction	\$ 999,999.99
J. Parker & Daughters Construction	\$1,741,248

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R. S. Audley	\$1,264,625
Merrill Construction	\$ 975,000
Shaw Brothers Construction	\$1,575,387
Brown Industrial Group	\$ 798,408.68
Sumco	\$1,673,771
Nelson Companies	\$ 967,788

Vegetative Restoration –

Sumco	\$ 392,020
Certified Erosion Control	\$ 356,036
Gold Star	\$ 400,000
Gordon	\$ 195,000
Salmon Falls Nursery	\$ 430,300
Cameron Sod Farms	\$ 332,876.20

Following this, the Board asked that Selectman Reinhold, Code Enforcement Officer Dennis and Highway Supervisor Stevens review the bid proposals and then make a recommendation of four to the Board one week from the 28th. When narrowed to four or less, contractors will be called in for additional interviews.

B. Town Clerk/Tax Collector Linda Reinhold presented deed waivers, which are due by May 6th for properties she wishes to decline tax deeding.

7. Department Head Reports.

A. Highway Supervisor presented the paving bid proposals for the Board's opening and review. Bid proposals were as follows:

Name	Price per Ton
CLD Paving	\$71.74
Suburban Paving	\$67.50
Continental Paving, Inc.	\$70.00
Jamco Excavators, LLC	\$78.65
Pike Industries	\$72.50
Brox Industries	\$70.35
Bell & Flynn	\$75.50

Following this, the Board asked that Mr. Stevens prepare a spreadsheet and make a recommendation for the May 5th Work Session.

Highway Supervisor Stevens presented pictures of three trees that need to be removed near the new dugouts at the Town field, one oak and two pines and a picture of the materials storage area currently being cleared. Selectman Reinhold said to ensure the trees are not in the easement area or they would need Conservation Commission input. If they are not, then the Board agreed they should be cut down. It was felt that Woodward Timber, who is clearing the area for materials storage behind the Highway Garage, could do the work as their equipment is right in the area.

8. Public Comments: None.

9. There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Donna F. Eisenhard, Recording Secretary

Minutes accepted by:

John R. Lacourse, Chairman

W. James Griswold

Frank W. Reinhold, Jr.
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