

MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING - June 8, 1992

Present for the meeting which began at 7:00 p.m. were Selectmen Dodge, Johnston and Pimenta. Selectmen Dodge took minutes of the interviews with the contractors who had submitted bids related to the installation of the sprinkler system at the Transfer Station. Sandra Gendron was dealing with matters related to the computer.

Electrical Contractor David Poole was in to review the bid he had submitted to the Board of Selectmen for the installation of the fire alarm system at the Transfer Station. He described to the Board the system that he proposed be installed commenting that since this was a high risk area he had provided more detectors than might otherwise be necessary, but in his opinion met the sensitive needs of the project. Discussion ensued with David commenting that if the roof vent is open the detection system is changed considerably becoming more difficult. David recommended a fixed temperature detector in the storage room and that the control in the office have a pull station.

\$100. was deducted from the bid since the system will be monitored by Honeywell to keep consistent with systems monitored in other town-owned buildings. Another \$35. was deducted for a pull station that David had included that had not been asked for in the bid specifications.

Next in to see the Board was Electrical Contractor Dwight Lovejoy accompanied by David Wright. David stated, when asked, that the number of detectors was adequate for the needs of the station. It was his opinion that to change the detectors in two closed areas would be negligible. The control panel specified has four zones, and they would have to change their drawings to include other "trouble" requirements, but stated they would if it became necessary to do so. It was determined that their drawings, as submitted, do not meet the needs of the project, but they could be modified accordingly. It was estimated to add a required pull station would cost approximately \$125. and to add an additional detector would increase the cost by approximately \$175. adding a total of approximately \$300. to the bid submitted. They did not take issue with the installation of a detector under the hopper except the possibility of problems occurring due to moisture and the added cost would be \$45. bringing the total of added costs now to \$325. They further estimated the cost to add zones to the panel would be approximately \$325. per zone, and to add two would cost approximately \$650. to bring the control panel up to eight zones. They estimated the job would take three working days plus one day to install the compressor in the outside building.

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The Board of Selectmen next met with a representative from Hampshire Fire Systems who had submitted a bid for the installation of the sprinkler system. Kevin Rothermel stated that he has fourteen years of experience and that the company employs five engineers, twenty-five job workers plus full time work inspectors.

He estimated, when asked, that the cost to add two sprinkler heads outside the hopper would be approximately \$125. He clarified the bid by stating a connecting flange for the supply tank would be provided, and the fire pump with controller would be piped up to a dry control valve. The pump would be 1/6 HP 90 CFM and has an outside bell to signify that the pump has been activated. The fire department standard "Y" connectors would be supplied. The system is designed so that in the future when a proper water system is installed, this sprinkler system will be adequate to fit the required needs for approval. It was determined that both contractors could work simultaneously inside the main building when the alarm and sprinkler systems were installed. The proposal submitted does not provide for an electrical drop into the water pump, nor does it provide for the electrical connection for a light, the electrical connection for the timer or the electrical connection for the water flow alarm.

Discussion continued among the Selectmen with regard to the alarm portion of the bid, the feeling expressed that both bidders would provide quality work and even though extras in the form of additional detectors and other equipment would be asked for, the cost difference between the bid received from David Poole and that of the bid received from Dwight Lovejoy was substantial. It was the unanimous decision of the Board to award the bid to Dwight Lovejoy.

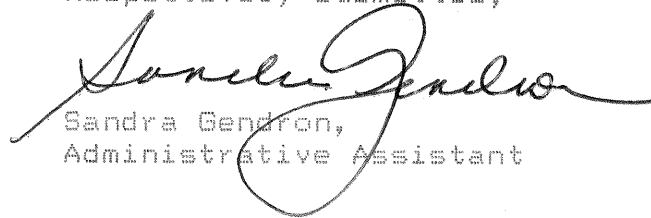
Next in to meet with the Selectmen was Pat Malfait, representing John Carter Sprinkler Systems Co. Pat presented numerous documents to the Board relating to the company and the equipment they proposed to use. He then proceeded to go through the bid proposal explaining each step and the installation of the equipment and its operation. Pat stated that the system would be adequate for future approval when the proper water supply system was installed. The Board found it clear from his presentation that some of the equipment supplied as part of this package was not included by the previous bidder for the sprinkler system.

After further discussion, the Board of Selectmen voted unanimously that the bid for the sprinkler system be awarded to John Carter Sprinkler Co.

Sandra Gendron was informed of the decisions of the Board relative to the installation of the sprinkler system at the Transfer Station and instructed to make the appropriate notifications of same. The contractors would also be told that they were not to proceed until a job start meeting could be scheduled and they would be informed of such.

Mail was reviewed, checks were signed and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 p.m. These minutes were transcribed from notes taken by Selectmen Dodge.

Respectively submitted,



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