

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2018
Work Meeting**

PRESENT: Mr. Marc W. Richard; Chairman, Mr. Dario F. Nardi; Vice-Chairman and Mr. John Nason, Clerk

ATTENDEES: See Attached List

Opened the Meeting at 6:30 PM

Chairman Richard opened the Meeting at this time and dispensed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

BRIDGE STREET PROJECT-Vote to Ratify

Motion to ratify the vote/signatures for the Bridge Street Project as presented by the Highway Surveyor made by Mr. Nason;
second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous.

980 MAIN STREET – FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION

Mr. Richard advised all that the project was over the allotted budget allocated. He has taken full responsibility for the delay and acknowledged that the project will not be done until the spring of 2019. He feels that an additional \$1,500-\$2,000 should cover the cost start to finish. Mr. Nason requested a copy of the proposed plan to which Mr. Richard will provide.

TOM BOUDREAU – DISCUSSION ON LOADER

Mr. Boudreau is in attendance again this evening to discuss the ongoing situation with the loader. He was asked at our last meeting to come back with additional information. With regard to the CAT, 50% of the rental fees would go towards the purchase price. The John Deere – 100% as well as the Volvo. Mr. Boudreau however favors the CAT due to the dual purpose transmission. One additional option was that he contacted Jim Fountain (local contractor) in where we could enter into a rental agreement by the hour. Should we have a storm, he'd (Fountain) would also go out in plow in the machine. The current loader is deemed unfit. Mr. Nason asked the price to repair, which Mr. Boudreau stated that it would run approximately \$30K to \$40K for a full engine rebuild. On November 13, 2018, he stated that a verbal quote was given of \$12K-\$15K for the engine and an additional \$18K-\$22K for the transmission.

Mr. Kordek (Capital Planning) questioned who diagnosed the problem with the current loader. Mr. Boudreau stated that the town mechanic (Ed Williams) did which was confirmed by Mark at Hilltop Repair from Brimfield. Mr. Richard stated that he does not see the sense in putting money into a machine that we are going to trade. Mr. Boudreau would like to repair the 1996 and keep as a backup. Mr. Nardi stated that in no way is he in favor of that plan. Mr. Mongeon (Finance) doesn't want to keep spending money on less than stellar equipment. Mr. Nardi would prefer to go with the local option (Fountain). In the past, Mr. Fountain has charged \$125/hour. Mr. Boudreau will get a price from Mr. Fountain and see what happens at the STM. Finance has pledged \$2,500.00 for a RAT.

TREASURY WARRANTS & INVOICES

Motion to approve and sign Warrant No. 41 dated November 19, 2018 in the amount of \$59,486.31 made by Mr. Nason;
second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous.

Motion to enter Executive Session in accordance with G.L. c30A, Section 21(a)(3) “to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body” and not to return to Open Session made by Mr. Nason; second: Mr. Nardi – unanimous. Roll Call Vote – 3 Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Acerra
Administrative Secretary

John Nason, III, Clerk