

Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting, Town of Freedom, NH 03836
Monday, July 15, 2013

Present: Neal Boyle, Leslie Babb, Ernest Day, Jr., Selectmen; Road Agent Scott Brooks; Karen Hatch, Town Administrator; and several citizens.

Meeting opened at 6:30pm. Manifests were signed and general mail was reviewed.

The Road Agent explained that a company representative had been detained and asked that they review the culvert pricing after the cell tower.

The Board had received a request for reduction in the letter of credit being held with North Atlantic Towers. There was discussion on the requirements of the revised agreement which have not been met. The repeater has yet to be installed; Babb reported that he had received the contact information for AT&T about putting our equipment in their building.

Other items of concern discussed were the road not being complete. Boyle did state that according to the town engineer the erosion control was holding but that there would always be problem areas. There were questions as to the size of the trees planted. Babb thought that may have been why they planted more than had been required. The Road Agent did explain that the time for planting had passed and did not believe that most of these would live.

Day made a motion not to reduce the letter of credit but to review it again in two weeks, seconded by Boyle, voted no by Babb.

Hatch was also reminded to forward the invoices from White Mountain Survey and Engineering to Brett Buggeln for reimbursement according to the approval by the Planning Board.

Hatch to draft response letter to the tower company to be reviewed by the Board and Town Council.

Steve Gard representative of the Mitchie Corp joined the meeting at which time Brooks presented the board with three quotes for a precast concrete culvert.

CIS System (currently not approved by DOT)	\$25,180
Mitchie Corporation	29,580
White Mountain Precast	25,403

Brooks explained in detail the design of each and flaws with two of them. He also explained that two of them would cost more in additional materials and labor so would in the end be comparable with the high bid. Gard presented a general design plan for the board to view. Brooks recommended to the board that they accept Mitchie's bid as their product would be 10" thick and was all one unit eliminating areas where salt and materials can collect to erode the concrete and no additional materials would be needed to complete the installation.

Day made a motion for Brooks to place an order to purchase with Mitchie Corp; Boyle seconded, so voted. Delivery will be the second week in October and would take approximately three weeks to install start to finish.

Boyle next asked for public comment. Sylvia Carney invited the Board to participate in the upcoming Old Home Week Parade.

Day asked about the Loon Lake boat launch needing some work. Brooks had indicated that it would need between 20-30 yards of stone. He will check with the zoning officer about if a state wetlands permit is needed.

Boyle asked for department head updates and Hatch inquired about a question the library had regarding town council. Also discussed was the ad for the sale of the old police cruiser; the office being closed August 1st and 2nd for installation of insulation and that there would be no meeting on Monday the 22nd.

Brooks reported that Cold Brook Road will be closed from 6am July 22nd until 3pm on the 27th for a culvert replacement.

Brooks reported that the dust control has been mostly washed away with the summer rains and the roads are going to get rough. He did say that there were virtually no washout with all the rains.

Boyle shared that Scott Cunningham indicated that Lakeview Rehab had informally asked for a meeting up at their facility in Effingham. After a brief discussion the board agreed that there would be no need to meet at this time. They believe Lakeview has accomplished what the Board was looking to be addressed.

Boyle stated that the approval from PSNH would be in tomorrow for the flag that the Stokes was to erect on the utility pole.

Day made a motion at 8:10pm to enter non public session under RSA 91-A:3-II returned to open session at 8:58pm and meeting was adjourned.

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Leslie R. Babb

Ernest F. Day, Jr.