

Board of Selectmen

July 9, 2020

Remote meeting via telephone conference call

Present:

- Board of Selectmen: Ms. Mary Power (Chair), Mr. Joseph Fisher, and Mr. Bill Ramsey
- Mr. Tom Mayo, Town Administrator
- Ms. Michelle Monsegur, Assistant Town Administrator
- Mr. Scott Cyr and Mr. Jim Taylor, Water Company Transition and Evaluation Committee

Call to order: 5:00 pm

Ms. Power called the meeting to order and read the following statement:

“This meeting is being held remotely as an alternate means of public access pursuant to an Order issued by the Governor of Massachusetts dated March 12, 2020 Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law. You are hereby advised that this meeting and all communications during this meeting may be recorded by the Town of Hingham in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. If any participant wishes to record this meeting, please notify the chair at the start of the meeting in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(f) so that the chair may inform all other participants of said recording.”

Ms. Power asked if any participants were recording this meeting. There were no responses.

Review of potential Weir River Water System logos

Mr. Jim Taylor gave a brief background of the process of choosing Will Uronis and Steve Pratt to work on the development of a logo for the Weir River Water System. He said that their familiarity with the Water Company purchase and their knowledge of their local area and the Weir River itself made them a great fit to work with the Water Company. Mr. Taylor said that, after an initial brainstorming session, they came up with 16 logo choices that have been reviewed by the Water Company Transition and Evaluation Committee. They chose several selections for the Board of Selectmen to review.

Mr. Will Uronis went through the creative process of designing the logos. He said that he and his design partner, Steve Pratt, wanted the logos to appear clean and clear and to express a message of preserving and protecting the Weir River and its watershed. He felt that a simple design would be best able to adapt to different spaces, and also to full color and black and white applications. He went on to explain the specifics of the different logos to the Board. There was subsequent discussion and comments from the Board. Mr. Taylor explained that the Water Company Transition and Evaluation Committee would ultimately choose the logo, but they would like input from the Board first. There was consensus amongst the Board that they liked one choice more than the other logos. Mr. Taylor thanked the Board for their input and said he would report back once the final decision has been made.

Department of Public Works Contracts

J.R. Frey, Town Engineer, explained that the Board’s vote on the following two contracts would allow the Town to take advantage of the construction season and to get started on paving projects. He added that they have gone through each contract fully with John Coughlin, Town Counsel.

Mr. Fisher asked if the \$750,000 contract was consistent with the budget. Mr. Frey explained that the Town has been allocated sufficient funds by the State through Chapter 90 for both projects. He anticipated that the Town would begin with the Edwards work in August and, once that has been completed, Sealcoating, Inc. could begin the micro-surfacing part of the project. He hoped both projects would be completed by the beginning of October. Mr. Fisher also asked about notifying neighbors of the projects. Mr. Frey stated that he plans to notify the affected neighborhoods as soon as he receives the work schedule. Ms. Power noted that both contracts are 1-year contracts and she asked about future procurement plans for the Town's paving contracts. Mr. Frey answered that the Sealcoating, Inc. contract was extendable past the 1-year contract. He also stated that having a regular schedule of procurement would be considered a "best practice" by the Inspector General. He said he plans to do so in the future.

Contract extension with Sealcoating, Inc. for Micro-Surfacing services

Vote: Mr. Fisher made a motion that the Board of Selectmen authorize its Chair to sign the contract extension with Sealcoating, Inc. for micro-surfacing services substantially in the form presented to the Board of Selectmen at the meeting this evening. Mr. Ramsey seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Fisher: yes

Mr. Ramsey: yes

Ms. Power: yes

Contract with T.L, Edwards, Inc. for Roadway Management Construction Services

Vote: Mr. Ramsey made a motion that the Board of Selectmen authorize its Chair to sign a contract with T.L. Edwards, Inc. for roadway management construction services substantially in the form as presented at the meeting this evening. Mr. Fisher seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Fisher: yes

Mr. Ramsey: yes

Ms. Power: yes

Vote: Mr. Ramsey made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Fisher seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Fisher: yes

Mr. Ramsey: yes

Ms. Power: yes

Meeting adjourned at 5:52 pm

Documents: A complete meeting packet of supporting documentation is on file and available for public review in the Board of Selectmen's office.

