

Special Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 19, 2016
Sessions Conference Room – Town Hall
6:00PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm to discuss the following agenda items.

- Item 1. Carpenter Road Bridge – Award of Contract
- Item 2. Pavilion – Review of submitted quotes and possible action
- Item 3. Pat Keener Memorial Sculpture – review of location
- Item 4. Request of Refund of Taxes

In attendance were First Selectman Dan Jerram, Selectman Alesia Kennerson, and Selectman Laura Garay.

With regard to Item 1. There was a motion made by Kennerson, seconded by Garay to award the Carpenter Road Bridge project to Larosa Construction Company, Inc., the low bidder for a total price of \$447,585 - subject to the contractor complying with State Statute 15-5 (CHRO) as recommended by Lenard Engineering, the towns consulting engineers. Jerram read portions of Lenard's letter of recommendation (see attached) outlining the review of the bids, checking of references and the requirements of Statute 15-5. Garay questioned when the law was passed. Kennerson stated 2015. After a lengthy discussion, the motion was passed unanimously. Jerram noted that several of the bids were below the town's construction budget (\$530,000) which gave the Town options should LaRosa not be able to comply with the statute.

With regard to Item 2. The two bid packages were reviewed by the Selectman. Jerram noted that both were submitted by local contractors: Mark Marchetti and Pat McDonald and each were very close in price. McDonalds bid was \$95,000 for and 18'x 30' rectangular pavilion supported by eight (8) columns. This proposal included a metal roof and traditional concrete pavers. The Marchetti proposal (roughly \$94,000 - depending on the options selected) more represented the diagram included within the bid specification and most all recommendation of the Architectural Review Committee including a hip roof with Cedar shake covering, copper lined valleys and twelve (12) decorative columns as seen in the towns plan. The Marchetti proposal also included a choice of three different types of pavers with the contractor recommending a traditional brick similar to other buildings within the village (and noted they hold their color longer then concrete pavers). After a lengthy discussion, a motion made by Kennerson, seconded by Garay to award the Downtown Pavilion Project to Mark Marchetti (Hahn & Konopka) based on his bid not to exceed a total of \$94,000 which included the options of the Cedar Shake Roof and upgraded columns (if necessary structurally), traditional clay brick pavers in a simple herring bone pattern. The motion was seconded by Garay. Further discussion was held regarding timeline of the project and costs associated related to potential changes to the parking area. Ultimately the motion was passed unanimously noting that the First Selectmen will refine the contracts with the contractors and report back to the Board of Selectmen.

With regard to Item 3. There was a motion made by Kennerson, seconded by Garay to approve installation of the Pat Keener Memorial Sculpture on town owned land along the Farmington River behind Town Hall (near the end of Bridge Street). The motion was seconded by Garay. A

lengthy discussion was held. Jerram described the sculpture as a picture frame that one could look through and see the river – stating that it was a tribute to Pat Keener, a wonderful town volunteer who worked tirelessly to gain the Wild & Scenic designation for the Farmington River. Volunteers had raised money through donations for six years since Pat's death to pay for the sculpture.

All of the Selectmen supported the concept of the memorial. The Selectmen then discussed the proposed location. Jerram showed the Selectmen a picture of the proposed location. The volunteers had chosen a spot that appeared to include a view of a significant portion of the Route 219 Bridge and the Route 44 dug way further in the distance. The Selectmen noted that both structures were made of concrete and while utilitarian, were unattractive. While supportive of the concept, the Board was hopeful that a location that was more pristine and nature could be found to honor the work of Ms. Keener who favored the river in its natural state. The Board ultimately voted unanimously to approve installation of the sculpture but noted the First Selectmen and Zoning Enforcement Officer would contact the volunteers to further discuss the exact location prior to construction hoping for a more suitable location.

With regard to Item 4. There was a motion made by Kennerson, seconded by Garay to approve four tax refunds as recommended by the Tax Collector Linda Sheffield that ranged in value from \$76.23 to \$391.51 that were all for motor vehicles. After a short discussion, the motion was passed unanimously (see attached).

As there was no other business to attend to, a motion made by Kennerson, seconded by Garay to adjourn at 7:13pm. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,


Dan Jerram, First Selectman