



**Selectmen's Meeting
March 14th, 2018
MINUTES**

Selectmen Present: *Chad Hanna, Terry Lowd, Paul Yates*

Also Present: *Chris Hall (Town Administrator); Steve Lackovic and Steve Termine (Shellfish Committee); Marshall Cole (Calderwood Engineers); Lucinda Tilas (Chesterfield Associates Inc.); Vaughan Stevens (Hagar Enterprises).*

The meeting was called to order by Chair Chad Hanna at 7.00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Lowd, seconded by Yates, to accept the Minutes of the Selectmen's meeting on March 14th, 2018. Passed 3 – 0.

Bid Opening:

Five bids were received for work on the Varney Bridge, on Redonnett Mill Road. The bids covered a wide range, from a low of \$137,000 to a high of \$312,000. Marshall Cole, for Calderwood Engineers who had prepared the specifications, stated that each of the bidders was, in his opinion, qualified to do the work.

It was moved by Lowd, seconded by Yates, to accept the proposal from low bidder N.F. Luce, Inc., of Norridgewock, for \$137,000, plus specified supplemental work for \$5,600. Motion carried, 3 – 0.

Selectmen thanked Calderwood Engineering for their assistance, and expressed a desire to schedule a pre-construction meeting with Calderwood and N.F. Luce in April.

Matters referred from Other Town Bodies:

The Shellfish Committee, represented by chair Steve Lackovic, gave an update on conversations he had had with officials of the Department of Marine Resources. He is trying to secure the assistance of Representative Mick Devin, who serves on the Marine Resources Committee of the Legislature, to assist with understanding the position of the Department vis-à-vis the number of licenses that Bristol may issue. Lackovic understands that new Rulemaking may be imminent at the D.M.R., although no public notice has been given as of yet.

It was agreed that Selectmen would take up the matter again if new information is received from Rep. Devin or directly from the Department; if the Town receives

formal notice of a resource survey; or if a Rulemaking is posted with an opportunity for the Town to participate.

New Business:

Town Administrator Chris Hall requested approval of opening a new Certificate of Deposit for expected grants for capital projects. He explained that unlike existing capital reserve accounts, this would be for dedicated grants and donations which would have to be refunded to the donors if a project did not go ahead; the existing capital accounts would revert to surplus if not used for their intended purpose. A grant had been received from anonymous donors which the Selectmen agreed to accept and announce at the Town Meeting.

Yates asked whether the Selectmen or Town Meeting needed to specifically vote to accept any grant, to which Hanna pointed out that such authority is held by the Selectmen, and has been used from time to time to accept grants such as the Nature Conservancy grant for the study of options for the Bristol Mills Dam.

Lowd therefore moved, and Yates seconded, a motion “To Authorize the opening of a Restricted Grants Account, and to deposit therein any grant or donation dedicated to a specific capital project.” Motion carried 3 – 0.

Regular Business:

An annual Liquor License was approved for the Anchor Restaurant, Round Pond.

Selectmen reviewed and signed the accounts payable and payroll warrants for the Town, Fire & Rescue, School, Parks, and the Transfer Station.

Correspondence received:

- Parks and Recreation have advertised for an operator of the Pemaquid Beach Park snack shack, bids to be opened on April 5.
- Notice has been received from the County Commissioners of one taxpayer’s appeal of his valuation on two lots; Bob Gingris will prepare a file for presentation at the hearing on April 3rd.
- Received Reply Brief by Appellants to the Town’s Brief to the Law Court in the matter of the Wotton bait trailer. Oral Argument has been set for April 11 at 2:20.

Chair Hanna gave notice of the following Public Meetings:

TOWN MEETING:

Monday, March 19th, voting 8 am to 8 pm, Town Office

Tuesday, March 20th, 7 pm, open meeting at Bristol School gym.

Selectmen, Wednesday, March 21st at 7 pm at the Town Hall.

Harbor Committee, Thursday, March 29nd, 6 pm at the Town Office.

It was moved by Lowd, seconded by Yates, to adjourn. Motion passed, 3 – 0, at 7.51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Hall
Town Administrator