

TOWN OF BOLTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024, 6:00 P.M.
Town Hall
In-Person and Virtual (Hybrid Format)

Board of Selectmen Members Present In-Person: First Selectmen Rodney Fournier, Pam Sawyer, Gwen Marrion, Timothy Sadler, Amanda Gordon, Jill Collins

Absent Selectmen: Robert Morra, Mather Clarke

Staff Present Via Zoom: Recording Secretary, Patricia Hicks

Others Present Via Zoom: James Loersch

1. Call to Order at 6:00pm, by R. Fournier

2. Consider and Act on Awarding Lori Road Drainage Project
P. Sawyer made motion to accept lowest bidder for amount of \$142,325.00 from E & G Construction
T. Sadler Seconded.
Discussion:
A. Gordon- I would like to know where the money is coming from.

Vote: 5 yes 2 absent (R. Marra and M. Clarke)

3. Act on Disbanding Tax Committee
P. Sawyer made motion to disband tax committee they have completed task.
Tim Sadler Seconded.
Discussion: A. Gordon would like to keep subcommittee so we can create more of a finalized report as a result of that subcommittee.
P. Sawyer - Valid point I withdraw motion to disband.
R. Fournier - Motion withdrawn, disbanding tax committee is now off the table.

4. Consider and Act on A/P
P. Sawyer - motion to accept accounts payable in amount of \$122,877.95 as presented.
T. Sadler – Seconded Motion.
No discussion

R. Fournier – Jill is now on and can answer questions from A. Gordon.
A. Gordon-\$5,000 for professional legal services for the fire truck loan can you explain what that was.

J. Collins – That was the legal representation for the loan and that should have been paid a while ago, but I missed it was out when the attorney sent the bill to us in an email, and I missed it. I did apologize.

A. Gordon – When we got the loan.

J. Collins – We keep upping the loan, this is going to happen every year until it is bonded.

G. Marrion -What is the legal service we require for a loan.
J. Collins - I don't know the specifics, but I can get the details of what they do for us. It goes out like a bond and people come in and give us prices. I will get more information.

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R. Fournier – They do all of the leg work it is kind of like a closing. It is not bonded it is a short-term loan and one year at a time.

A. Gordon – is there a reason we don't go out for a longer loan.

J. Collins – It is not what the board chose to do when originally started two years ago.

G. Marrion-pg16 Vision Veteran Solutions \$10,412.00 software maintenance why are we paying for software maintenance to a company we contract to provide services to us.

J. Collins-That is the software package for maintenance and web hosting of their software.

R. Fournier-yearly fee

J. Collins-yes

A. Gordon- I asked for a breakdown of different software. This increased significantly this year going into next year's budget can we have a breakdown.

J. Collins- You want a breakdown when they present their budget next year.

A. Gordon – yes

Vote: 5 yes 2 absent (R. Marra and M. Clarke)

5. Consider and Act on Budget Transfers

P. Sawyer-Looked at budget transfer and they fall under the limits they are approved.

A. Gordon – On the A/P Report never got an answer on the \$20,000 from September that was spent on the library what was that for.

J. Collins – I can look back give me a second, that is their software, the annual subscription.

6. Minutes

- a. September 24, 2024- Special Meeting A/P, P. Sawyer made a motion to approve A. Gordon Seconded.

Discussion:

G. Marrion I was not at meeting make motion to change (3 times-where I was mentioned)

Must be Pam Sawyer

Vote: 3 yes 2 Abstain (T. Sadler and G. Marrion) 2 Absent (R. Marra and M. Clarke)

- b. October 1, 2024 – Regular Meeting-P. Sawyer made motion to accept T. Sadler , Seconded.
5 yes 0 no, 2 Absent (R. Marra and M. Clarke)

- c. October 8, 2024 – Special Meeting A/P.-P. Sawyer made motion to accept , T. Sadler, Seconded.
Discussion #7 G. Marrion- will take line#7 out completely.

P. Sawyer withdraw motion, board put on next agenda and will sort out meeting minutes.

7. Adjourn 6:21 P. Sawyer motion to adjourn, T. Sadler, Seconded.

5 yes 0 no, 2 Absent (R. Marra and M. Clarke)

Respectfully Submitted by Patricia Hicks

Patricia Hicks

Next meeting:

Special Meeting A/P – Thursday, November 5, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. (Town Hall)

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