

At the Town Board Special Meeting and Agenda Meeting of the Waterford Town Board held on May 30, 2023 at the Waterford Town Hall 65 Broad Street, Waterford, NY and via Zoom at 7:00 P.M the following transpired:

Those present:

Councilman James Boudreau

Councilman Laurie Marble

Supervisor John Lawler

There was absent:

Councilman David Ball

Councilman Frank McClement

Supervisor Lawler called the Special Meeting to order.

RESOLUTION # 89

RESOLUTION FOR THE YEAR 2023 OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF WATERFORD AWARDED BID FOR THE TOWN OF WATERFORD'S 2023 ROAD PAVING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, subdivision 16 of the New York General Municipal Law 103 (“Piggybacking Law”) permits political subdivisions to make purchases of apparatus, materials, equipment or supplies, or to contract for services related to the installation thereof, through the use of a contract let by the United States of America or any agency thereof, any state or any county or political subdivision or district therein provided that the contract has been let in a manner that constitutes competitive bidding consistent with New York State law, and is made available for use by other governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, the Town has previously adopted a local law authorizing purchase contracts based on lowest responsible bidder or best value contract award; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous of obtaining necessary labor, materials, tools, equipment and supervision to complete certain reclamation and paving work on various roads within the Town; and

WHEREAS, Saratoga County Bid Specifications #23-PWPSR-46R – Pavement Service Rates and Saratoga County Bid Specifications #23-PWAC-3R – Asphalt Concrete Bid are on file with the Town Clerk and provide for pricing and other contractual terms for paving and asphalt concrete which is available to other municipal entities anywhere in New York State. See, Bid Package, “Instructions to Bidders/General Conditions”; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the bid specifications and contracts as awarded by the County of Saratoga County; and

WHEREAS, after due review and consideration, the Town Board finds that that the contracts were let by a political subdivision of the United States; that the contracts were made available for use by other governmental units, and that the contracts were let in a manner that constitutes competitive bidding consistent with New York law, including public solicitation of the request for bid proposal, preparation of bid specifications; submission of sealed bids; and evaluation and contract award based on best value and/or lowest responsible bidder requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Town further finds that New Castle Paving, LLC is a reputable contractor; that the pricing offered is reasonable; that the pricing contract provides a cost-savings and that piggybacking will provide further cost savings by reducing administrative expenses that would otherwise be incurred if the Town initiated its own competitive bidding process; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Town Clerk to piggyback on the County of Saratoga; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to execute a contract, the form of which is to be approved by the attorneys for the Town, with New Castle Paving LLC to furnish paving services and materials for various Town roads as directed by the Town in an amount not to exceed \$ 481,910.09.

Offered by Councilman Boudreau
Seconded by Councilwoman Marble

Councilman Boudreau yes
Councilwoman Marble yes
Supervisor Lawler yes

Supervisor Lawler stated that we have an ambitious road paving plan this year this is combined with the paving in Northside being done by National Grid. We will soon be posting a complete list of the streets being paved this season on the Town website and Facebook page.

RESOLUTION #90

RESOLVED, that Joshua S. Ricci be and he is hereby hired as a full time Highway Laborer at a salary of \$20.00 per hour to be paid in weekly installments by the Supervisor without the necessity of pre-audit by the Town Board pending the successful completion of a pre-employment physical.

Offered by Councilman Boudreau
Seconded by Councilwoman Marble

Councilman Boudreau yes
Councilwoman Marble yes
Supervisor Lawler yes

RESOLUTION #91

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor be and he is hereby authorized to sign two agreements with Upstate Transit of Saratoga LLC for shuttle services for the 2023 Tugboat Roundup.

Offered by Councilwoman Marble
Seconded by Councilman Boudreau

Councilman Boudreau yes
Councilwoman Marble yes
Supervisor Lawler yes

Councilman Boudreau made a motion to close the Special Meeting at 7:07PM, seconded by Councilman Marble. All voted in favor of the motion.

The regular Agenda Meeting began.

Items discussed:

Councilwoman Marble- Resolution needed to hire lifeguards and park counselors for the season
Upcoming summer events calendar was discussed

The new play set at Clement Park has been installed, thank you to the Highway Department.
There are a few repairs being made at the pool before it opens.

Councilman Boudreau- Resolution needed to approve payment of CDL training for specific highway laborers. Information was distributed to the Board relating to the fees and type of training needed. The fee is \$1,375.00 per person, this is expensive and a turnoff for those applying to jobs that require a CDL. He'd like the Town to absorb this fee. He will meet with the Town Clerk.

Supervisor Lawler stated that employees names will need to be incorporated into the resolution. Our highway employees need to have their CDL license to be able to upgrade the types of vehicles they can drive. We need these guys to help plow and drive the larger vehicles. At one time it was much easier getting through the CDL course.

Town Clerk Carrigan asked what happens if they fail the test and how many times will we allow it to be taken?

Supervisor Lawler stated that he is meeting with Councilman Boudreau and they will have a policy in place for Tuesday night.

Eileen H., Senior Center Director- the Trip Club has been busy, the Saratoga County Picnic is in September, and they will need to look at renting a bus to accommodate everyone depending on the number. The Community Garden coming along great. Regular report for Tuesday.

Supervisor Lawler stated that there were thirty five attendees to the County luncheon last week, it's great that people are taking advantage of the transportation we provided.

Jeff C- Visitor Center Director- The repair of the dock office floor has been completed, it came out great. He is working on getting bids to have electrical work done on the docks. This work will be done using Momentive funds. He is having issues getting vendors to submit bids. Electricity has been an issue- thanks to the Wastewater Dept., the repaired pump-out has been installed and is running.

Supervisor Lawler stated that with this bid process, make sure everything is documented. He asked about the 4th of July event. Will there be vendors?

Jeff C.- stated that Johnny Rabb will start playing at 5:00PM and there will be fireworks with music. No craft vendors, but we will have food vendors and a few steamboats in port. The contract for the fireworks will need to be signed.

Craig Falcone- Chief Operator Wastewater Department- There are breakdowns happening, they are working on fixing and or replacing these item. Resolution needed to send Jason Norton to Operator training school.

Resolution to honor the Waterford Women's Club
Resolution to honor David Bullett
Resolution to approve updates to the Town Employee Handbook
Resolution to hire PT Court Clerk
Resolution to approve training for Jason Norton

Town Clerk Carrigan said the date for the July Board Meeting will need to be changed due to it falling on July 4th.

Supervisor Lawler stated that he will need a resolution to hire a new part time employee in the Supervisor's office to help with scanning of vouchers and some clerical work. In the past both his office and the court had shared a part time employee, this hire will replace that person in the Supervisors Office.

Councilman Boudreau- He is hearing that we are doing a lot of bus hiring for various events, when looking to hire a company we should be looking at the DOT rating system and making sure the carriers we hire have high ranking and standards, which is our expectation, especially with what happened in Schoharie.

Supervisor Lawler added that we have our own bus for medical appointments and grocery trips. We do need to rent a bus occasionally for larger trips. Thank you to Jim for having this conversation.

There was a discussion on the capacity of the Town bus, which is a 24 passenger.

Dylan Defrino- Seaboard Solar- Spoke of the proposed 10mg watt solar farm for Riberdy Lane. The in-field archeological study is completed, the report will be ready for distribution tomorrow. They met with the Town ZBA recently and were informed they will need a use variance due to

the LC District. It was recommended that they file as a utility and they have looked into this and are moving forward with the filing.

Chris Connell asked about the location of this project and the size of the property.

Supervisor Lawler stated that this project is to be built at Riberdy Grove, which is surrounded by the river and canal property. This is mostly undevelopable land and significantly separated from any properties. The Supervisor asked about the cost of this project.

Mr. Defrino stated that cost is between \$20-\$25 million dollars. They chose this property because it cannot be seen, as everyone knows, solar farms are not nice to look at. This property is 136 acres, there will be screening and buffer zones. It will be about 50-60 acres of total disturbance which includes a road way around the project.

Councilman Boudreau made a motion to end the meeting at 7:35PM, seconded by Councilwoman Marble. All voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Shannon Carrigan
Town Clerk