

Selectmen's Work Session Monday, December 20, 2021

The following meeting was held in the upstairs conference room at Town Hall. Present were Selectmen Martha Eldridge, Susan Simpson and Jonathan Smith. Matt Sawyer Jr., Town Administrator was also present, and recorded the minutes. Public Works Director TJ Eldridge was present.

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM

Discussion:

Directly after calling the meeting to order, Smith made a motion to enter into three consecutive nonpublic sessions:

- 1) RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Reputational risk including tax matters
- 2) RSA 91-A:3, II(a) Personnel Issues
- 3) RSA 91-A:3, II(d) Conflict of interest; Property sale/acquisition

Eldridge seconded and a roll call vote was taken:

Smith – YES

Simpson – YES

Eldridge - YES

At 3:53, Smith made a motion to reenter the public session and seal the minutes to all three nonpublic sessions. Eldridge seconded and the vote passed 3-0.

There was a review of the documents in the red folder, with the Selectmen signing and divvying them up for the public meeting.

At 3:54 Smith made a motion to waive the competitive bid process on the new pickup trucks being sought by the highway department (including a service body for one), as there is a well-known supply chain shortage and TJ was unable to find adequate inventory to get the quotes. Simpson seconded and the vote passed 3-0.

TJ identified that one of the trucks being purchased is coming with a V-plow that he is not sure they will use, and asked for permission to sell it. The group discussed and it was determined that having a backup plow makes more sense for the town, so it was decided to keep it in case of emergency failure or to replace one as needed in the future.

At 4:05, Eldridge made a motion to recess until 4:15 PM in the gym. Simpson seconded and the vote passed 3-0.

Being no further input, the work session recessed until 4:15 in the gym.

Jonathan H. Smith, Chairman

Susan J. Simpson, Selectman

Martha B. Eldridge, Selectman