

• **June 16, 2005**

Present: First Selectman Richard C. Sears, Selectmen Nicholas N. Solley and Harry H. Wyant, Selectmen's Assistant Kathleen Gollow.

Public: Valerie Anderson, Mark Lyon

For Bid Openings: Herbert Praveis-Hines Brothers, Ed Frisbie-W.H.Rose, John Rebillard-R&S Rentals & Sales

Insurance Agent: Arthur Mulligan

Call to Order: First Selectman Sears called the meeting to order at 4:35p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

- **Motion:** To approve the minutes of the June 2, 2005 Regular Meeting of the Board of Selectmen. By Dick Sears, seconded by Nick Solley and unanimously approved.

Visitors:

- **Valerie Anderson:** Spoke briefly about the meeting on 6/23 with First Selectmen from Region #12, Board of Finance Chairs, Superintendent and Board of Ed representatives. Valerie asked that when working on the Depot Study Process this weekend that the Washington Primary School building be included in discussions and also suggested that the Board of Education be involved in any discussions regarding the building, should a consolidated primary school be approved in the future.
- **Arthur Mulligan, The McKellan Group re: Employee Health Insurance Benefits.** Art gave a brief overview of his company and the medical insurance coverage currently in place for Town employees. This year the Town is faced with an 18.14% increase in rates for the same type coverage. Three Options were presented to the Board of Selectmen: first-an employee contribution would be made to the current medical plan premium that would result in an increase of 8.57% to the Town; second-the employee contribution would be slightly less than Option 1 resulting in an 11.62% increase; and third-offer an HMO program with higher co-pays/deductibles resulting in an 8.84% **decrease**. The Town could use the money saved (approximately \$20,000) plus the amount approved in the Town Budget to create a "reserve" to pay the employee's deductible. Art explained the management of such a program that would be in compliance with HIPPA regulations, etc. The reserve could be added to each year and unused funds accumulated. This will be presented to the Board of Finance on Monday evening - June 20th and the employees Wednesday morning. The Board of Selectmen expressed their support for Option #3.

Communications: None.

Appointments/Resignations: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Opening of Tractor Bids:** The following bid was received for a Kabota Tractor:

Ruwet & Sibley, Torrington, CT:

Kubota Model B7800HSD-F \$17,800.00

Less Trade-In 2,700.00

TOTAL \$15,100.00

ALTERNATE BID:

Kubota Model B3030H5D6 \$21,300.00

Less Trade-In 2,700.00

TOTAL \$18,600.00

- **Opening of Truck Bids:** The following bids were received for a 2006 4 x 4 heavy duty dump truck:

Gabrielli, Hartford, CT:

Mack \$162,702.63

Less Trade-In 15,000.00

TOTAL \$147,702.63

Hines Brothers, Southbury, CT

(W.H. Rose, Columbia, CT)

International \$125,249.39

Less Trade-In 10,000.00

TOTAL \$115,249.39

Marola Motors, Torrington, CT:

International \$126,300.00

Less Trade-In 17,000.00

TOTAL \$109,300.00

NEW BUSINESS:

- **To extend an Invitation to Bid re: Reclamation & Repaving a portion of Nettleton Hollow Road:**
Motion: To extend an invitation to bid for the reclamation and repaving of a portion of Nettleton Hollow Road in Washington, CT with hot mix bituminous concrete from SNET pole #3667 to CL&P pole #12320. Bids will be accepted until June 30, 2005 at 4:00p.m. at the Selectman's Office, 2 Bryan Plaza, Box 383, Washington Depot, CT 06794. Further specifications are available at the Selectman's Office - 860-868-2259. By Dick Sears, seconded by Nick Solley and unanimously approved.

- **Fire Marshall's Report - Harry Erickson Pavilion Hall, New Preston:** The Selectmen have received a report with violations indicated in regard to exit lights, fire alarm and storage of paints. These violations will be corrected as soon as possible.

Adjournment: Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 5:55p.m. as there was no further business to discuss.
By Harry Wyant, seconded by Nick Solley and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Anne Greene

Selectmen's Secretary