

Town of Nelson Selectmen's Meeting

May 17, 2017

Executive Board Attending: David Upton, Gary Robinson, Maury Collins was absent, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others attending: Bart Cushing

At 3:00 PM David Upton began the May 17, 2017 meeting of the Nelson Select Board.

● The meeting began with opening of the bids for a new well. Bart Cushing of Cushing and Sons was in attendance and presented their bid.

1. Cushing and Sons Bid \$12,225 base price plus \$12.50 LF beyond 320 in depth and \$2,150 hydrofracking

Optional bid from Cushing \$14,000 total (Guaranteed) References provided as requested

2. Skillings & Sons, Inc. Bid \$15,497 plus \$11.00 LF beyond 320 in depth and \$1,800.00 hydrofracking. No Optional bid and no references provided as requested.

3. Green Mountain Bid \$10,364.23 plus \$10.00 LF beyond 320 in depth and \$2,800.00 hydrofracking. No Optional bid and no references provided as requested.

Mr. Cushing was advised that the Board would review the bids in detail before making a final decision.

● At 3:22 PM David made a motion to move in Non-Public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (c&d)

Contract deliberation for Hiring a well contractor and Harm to reputation

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by roll call vote 2-0. Gary – yes, David – yes

● Following a brief discussion, David made a motion to accept and approve the guaranteed bid from Cushing and Sons at \$14,000 total. (Including the old well abandonment)

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by roll call vote 2-0. Gary – yes, David – yes

● David made a motion to return to Public session.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by roll call vote 2-0. Gary – yes, David - yes 3:26 PM

At 3:26 PM the Board returned to Public Session.

● David announced that Cushing and Sons will be awarded the well contract.

● David made a motion to approve the minutes for May 9, 2017.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0.

● David made a motion to approve the manifest for May 17, 2017 as presented.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0.

● Following an update from the ZBA showing that a variance had been granted to Harold and Eva Roeder due to insufficient road frontage, David made a motion to approve their previously requested Building Permit.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0.

● The Board reviewed a payroll question from the Fire Chief regarding tree clearing to open several roads following the Mother's Day snow storm.

The Board sent thanks to the Fire Department for their response that day.

David made a motion, based on the current pay arrangements for the Fire Department, to consider the response a "call" just as a fire or accident would be and to pay accordingly.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0.

The Board further agreed to meet with the Fire Chief to discuss future amendments to the Fire Department's method of compensation.

● Following review of purchase requests from the Highway Department, Gary made a motion to approve a purchase request for Chloride, road vibrator roller rental, and a water pump.

David seconded.

The motion carried 2-0. PR # 175171, PR# 175172, PR# 175173

● Following a review of a recommendation from Avitar, David made a motion to deny abatement to Googins Trust.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0.

● David gave a brief report of the TBC meeting and advised that two dates were chosen for the next meetings (May 24th and June 5th). If there is nothing to report from J. Tepe, the meeting on May 24th will be cancelled.

● Based on new information, David made a motion to rescind a previous vote to take property by tax Deed that is owned by the estate of Jane Caruso Johnson.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0.

● David then made a motion to delay the deeding of the Jane Caruso Johnson property until the finalization of probate or other resolution of the taxes owed.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0.

4:52 PM

● David made a motion to move into Non-Public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (c&e) Pending litigation and harm to reputation.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by a roll call vote 2-0. Gary – yes, David – yes

The Board discussed instructions to be presented to the Town's attorney regarding a pending court case.

● David made a motion to seal the minutes.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by a roll call vote 2-0. Gary – yes, David - yes

● David made a motion to return to public session.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried by a roll call vote 2-0. Gary – yes, David – yes 5:10 PM

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● With nothing further, David made a motion to adjourn.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:23 PM

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David Upton, Chair

Absent

Maury Collins, Selectman

Gary Robinson, Selectman