

Town of Boscawen

Select Board

Final Minutes

Thursday September 3, 2020 at 12:00pm

In attendance: Ed Cherian, Lorrie Carey, Paul Dickey, Katie Phelps, Dean Hollins and Tama Tillman.

This meeting is being held under a Declaration of Emergency by the Governor and by the Board. Under RSA 91-A: 2, III (b) the requirement of a physical quorum is waived and this meeting is being held entirely remotely, and is being recorded.

Chairman Cherian noted that this emergency meeting is being called due to an opportunity that needs to be acted upon prior to the next scheduled Select Board meeting.

Public Works Director Hollins said he spoke with Warren Colby at GMI Paving and he offered to pave an area of Queen Street from the gravel pit to King Street for a price of \$50,000. Hollins said he measured and if he were to pay last year's prices for paving it would cost the Town \$72,000. He noted that prices are going up and GMI offered to bill the Town next year for the work. The Town would only be responsible for the at-cost price of hot top. Selectwoman Carey asked if Queen Street was on his paving plan. Hollins said it wouldn't be on his plan to pave for another three years. Chairman Cherian questioned how this would be handled on the books if we don't have an allocation for 2020 for the \$50,000. Phelps noted that it would be treated as a prepaid expense and would remain on the balance sheet as a liability to be paid in 2021 when the bill comes in. This topic will be discussed further at the next Select Board meeting on September 10, 2020.

The primary purpose for the emergency meeting today is that due to scheduling GMI Paving has availability to pave a new area of the Boscawen Town Park on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 for a total of \$23,000. Seeing there isn't a meeting scheduled before the decision must be made on whether to proceed or not we have scheduled this meeting for Board direction. There is a little under \$15,000 in Road Impact Fee money available. The rest would need to come from the budget.

Selectwoman Carey made a motion to pave the new area of the Town Park and to use Road Impact Fee money and find the difference within the budget. Selectman Dickey seconded. All in favor. Roll Call: Lorrie Carey – yes, Paul Dickey – yes, Ed Cherian – yes. Approved.

Selectman Dickey asked that Hollins please let Mr. Colby know that we appreciate the offer he's made. Public Works Director Hollins and Finance Director Phelps will work to find the additional funds and bring a recommendation to the Board meeting on September 10, 2020.

Chairman Cherian made a motion to adjourn at 12:11pm. Selectman Dickey seconded. All in favor. Roll Call: Lorrie Carey – yes, Paul Dickey – yes, Ed Cherian – yes. Approved.

Respectfully submitted by Katie Phelps