Town of Epsom Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes April 26, 2023 at 8:00am

Approved: May 1, 2023

Cheryl Gilpatrick, Chair Virginia Drew, Vice Chair Meadow Wysocki

Call to Order

Ms. Gilpatrick called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

Staff present: Scott Elliott, Road Agent

Review and Accept or Amend Agenda: Motion by: Ms. Drew to accept the agenda as amended. Second by: Ms. Wysocki. Motion passed unanimously: 3-0-0.

River Road Paving Bid Award: The Board reviewed the bids again. Ms. Gilpatrick noted she had reached out to the Town's attorney regarding the concerns brought forward by Mr. Gelinas at the bid opening regarding GMI's attendance at the mandatory meeting. The Road Agent noted that GMI did attend the meeting and had contacted him and stated he was running late. Mr. Elliott agreed to wait for him to arrive. He also noted he gave the same information to the representative from GMI as he did with the other two vendors who arrived at 9am.

The attorney noted that if GMI's representative did indeed attend, and although late, and the Town feels that all bidders were working from the same playing field as far as information, she felt that the Town was within their right to accept the bid. Mr. Elliott noted he forwarded the emails between he and Mr. Gelinas to the Board, which noted they were told GMI would be bidding on the project. Mr. Elliott noted that although previous meetings weren't mandatory, he has waited at the project site for other bidders in the past so the Town could receive as many bids as possible to allow for a competitive bidding process.

<u>Trash/Dumpster Discussion</u>: The Board discussed the placement of the dumpster in the parking lot and agreed it would be placed in the corner of the upper lot near the Meetinghouse, where the construction team had their dumpster. They discussed the logistics suggested by the Road Agent and Ms. Gilpatrick for parking for Town employees, and the future paving and striping the parking lot. It was agreed Ms. Gilpatrick would reach out to Keith Cota for assistance in drawing up an informal plan.

Motion by: Ms. Drew to enter a non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 II (a) at 8:40am. Second by: Ms. Wysocki. Motion passed unanimously via roll call vote: Meadow, aye; Virginia, aye; Cheryl, aye.

Motion by: Ms. Drew to exit the non-public session at 9:05. Second by: Ms. Wysocki. Motion passed unanimously via roll call vote 3-0-0: Meadow, aye; Virginia, aye; Cheryl, aye. A decision was made. A decision was made.

Motion by: Ms. Drew to seal the non-public minutes. Second by: Ms. Wysocki. Motion passed unanimously via roll call vote 3-0-0: Meadow, aye; Virginia, aye; Cheryl, aye.

Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board at this time, **Motion by:** Ms. Drew to adjourn at 9:10pm. **Second by:** Ms. Wysocki. **Motion passed unanimously: 3-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Gilpatrick, Chair, Epsom Select Board.