

JOHNSON SELECTBOARD WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
JOHNSON MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
THURSDAY, MAY 8TH, 2014

**Present:**

Selectboard Members: Kathy Black, Nat Kinney, Doug Molde, Eric Osgood,

Others: Duncan Hastings (Manager)

**Note: All votes taken are unanimous unless otherwise noted.**

**1. Call to Order at 5:00 p.m.**

The bids for construction of the bandstand post and beam frame were reviewed by the Board. The bids for an erected frame were as follows: Andrew Purdy: \$2,074.00, Davis Sills: \$3,900.00, Vermont Timber Works: \$23,000.00.

Duncan stated that Howard had reviewed Mr. Purdy's work and had sent photos of some of his construction to Board members and felt very comfortable with the quality of the work. Howard had recommended that he be awarded the bid. There was general discussion about the bids. Doug asked if it was known if Mr. Purdy was insured. Duncan said he did not know but that it would be standard practice for a contractor of the town to provide a certificate of insurance naming the Town as an additional insured.

Doug moved to award the bid to Andrew Purdy, upon condition he provide a Certificate of Insurance to the Town, seconded by Nat, unanimous in favor. Mr. Purdy requires a materials deposit to get started.

Duncan stated Howard would like authorization to have Mr. Purdy do additional work, such as install the rafters and perhaps more, depending on funds. There is currently about \$7,400.00 of available funding. Without knowing the additional costs to do this work the Board was not ready to authorize further work. They asked Duncan to see if Mr. Purdy could prepare and submit an estimate by the Board's next meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

Doug advised the Board that there would be a site visit on Coddington Hollow Rd. with members of VASA, the Conservation Commission and the Green Mountain Club to explore options for providing an access to the Long Trail from the Gomo lot. Doug suggested that this would be a good opportunity for Selectboard members to view Coddington Hollow Rd.

A discussion ensued over damage to Coddington Hollow and other Class IV roads from recent flooding and what the town could do. Duncan encouraged the Board to follow their adopted Class IV Road Policy. He floated the idea of supplying culverts to residents to replace ones that had been washed out, which might provide the greatest return for the \$5,000.00 in the Highway budget for Class IV road maintenance. Doug suggested that the roads should be prioritized and any money allocated by order of priority and asked if Steve could visit all Class IV roads and provide a priority list for the Board by their next meeting. Duncan stated that the Highway crew is very busy right now trying to get our Class II roads in good condition and did not think it was a good use of their time to be looking at Class IV roads. No decisions were made and will be discussed further at the next Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50.

Minutes submitted by Duncan Hastings