

TOWN BOARD
Regular Meeting
October 14, 2020

A regular meeting of the Oneonta Town Board was held on October 14, 2020 via Zoom with the following members present:

Councilman: Brett Holleran
Councilwoman: Patricia Jacob
Councilman: Randy Mowers
Councilwoman: Patricia Riddell Kent
Supervisor: Robert Wood
Town Clerk: Sara Robinson

Others present: Rob Panasci; Town Attorney

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Highway/Water & Sewer –

Motion was made to approve the change order from the Layne Christensen Company for the Southside Water Well Contract in the amount of \$1200 by Riddell Kent. Seconded by Holleran

Motion was made to approve the DOT shared services agreement by Riddell Kent. Seconded by Holleran.

Cold Storage-Motion was made by Holleran to approve the contract for the lights in the cold storage shed for the amount of \$925.00. Seconded by Jacob. McCarthy Electric will install two LEDs matching the other ones we have in the other cold storage. Some outlets and a switch. Highway Superintendent Hurtubise stated that the building that was moved during the spring was the cold storage. It has been able to be used to mount the electrical panels on and the gas meter for the new building. It gives an area of protection for the new generator. It doesn't have any lights or outlets.

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

Surplus Items-Highway Superintendent Hurtubise stated that we listed a couple of items on Auctions International. We listed 8 different groups of tires, life guard stands that cannot be used at the pool anymore and a 2006 Sterling International plow truck. The high bid came in at \$16,200 for the truck. It came in lower than expected. Superintendent Hurtubise wanted more around \$20,000. A call was received from the Town of Stark and they are interested in the truck. Highway Superintendent Hurtubise told them that we would like to get closer to \$20,000. After looking at the truck the Town of Stark felt comfortable going to that rate. Hurtubise spoke with Auctions International and Auctions International stated that we would need to counteroffer the bidder. The eight groups of tires brought \$129.50. The two life guard stands were bid at \$97.50.

Motion was made by Jacob. Seconded by Holleran to accept the bid from the Town of Stark on the 2006 International plow truck for \$19,000 unless the high bidder matches the \$20,000 than we will take that offer. We will accept the bid for the tires at \$129.50 and the life guard stands at \$97.50.

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

Motion was made by Mowers to approve the purchase of a wireless system to operate the fire alarm system off of from McCarthy Electric for \$1600. Seconded by Jacob.

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

Supervisor Wood stated that during a construction meeting he spoke with McCarthy Electric about a new fire alarm system. They examined the cost of a copper land line and a cell phone line for the fire system dialer to work off of. McCarthy Electric gave a price of \$1600 for a wireless system to operate the fire alarm system off of a cell phone dialer. Ultimately, it will save money in the long run.

Motion was made by Riddell Kent. Seconded by Jacob to approve Highway Superintendent Hurtubise to purchase used shelving units from a factory that closed.

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

Motion was made by Jacob. Seconded by Riddell Kent to award the bid on the Southside Water Tank to Tweedie Construction. Seconded by Riddell Kent.

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

A RESOLUTION AWARDING
TOWN OF ONEONTA
SOUTHSIDE WATER PROJECT

CONTRACT NO. 1-WATER MAIN CONSTRUCTION

At a meeting of the Board of the Town of Oneonta, Otsego County, New York, held via ZOOM on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, the following resolution was offered by Councilperson Mowers, who moved for its adoption, seconded by councilperson Riddell Kent.

WHEREAS, The Board of the Town of Oneonta (“Town”) has issued solicitations for sealed bids for the construction of the Southside Water Project-Contract 3-Storage Tank Construction (“Project”) as set forth in the bids documents prepared by Lamont Engineers P.C.; and WHEREAS, Lamont Engineers P.C.; has reviewed the submitted bids for Contract No. 3 and has identified Tweedie Construction Services Inc., Inc., of Walton, New York as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and has recommended that the Town Board award contract No. 3 in the amount of eight hundred eighty-three four hundred forty-eight and 00/100 Dollars (\$883,448.00), and

WHEREAS, the Town Board may issue the Notice of Award for Contract No. 3, attached hereto as Exhibit A, upon review and approval of the low bid and Engineers recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby award contract No. 3-Water Main Construction to Tweedie Construction Services, Inc., in the amount of eight hundred eighty-three four hundred forty-eight and 00/100 Dollars (\$883,448.00), and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes and directs the Supervisor to execute the related contract documents necessary to implement the intent of the foregoing resolutions in a form acceptable to Lamont Engineers P.C. and the counsel for the Town as appropriate.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows;

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

Public Safety –

Facilities, Technology, Parks- Supervisor Wood stated that the town hall server needs to be replaced. It is budgeted for 2020. Supervisor Wood stated he just wanted to make the board aware that it will be coming up at the next meeting.

Human Resources and Public Benefit-

Legislative- Did not meet.

Attorney

CODE ENFORCEMENT-

MISCELLANEOUS-

Motion was made by Mowers to approve the court grant for \$1375. Seconded by Riddell Kent.

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

Supervisor Wood stated that the court has asked for 3 stand up desks and a chair. The court put it in as a JCAP grant. Should the court not get the grant, the items will not be purchased.

PETITIONERS- Supervisor Wood stated that a letter was received from the Virginia Pudelka. They are concerned about cars speeding on West Street.

Virginia Pudelka stated that she was out raking leaves and cars were speeding. Supervisor Wood stated that in 2017 a speed study was requested and the state declined to reduce the speed limit. Supervisor Wood stated that he would be happy to submit a request for a speed study again.

A town resident asked if we could look in to getting a speed sign like the one on East Street to alert people that they're going too fast. Supervisor Wood stated that we budgeted in the 2021 budget for two more of those signs.

Gayane Torosen stated that she was active a few years back in writing letters and getting signature. Where she lives on West St. where the hill ends there is 0 visibility. The demographics are changing on West Street. There are children. There are no sidewalks. They are close to vehicles. As a college professor they encourage the students to walk. The stretch of the road is dangerous. There is no safe place around the college to walk.

Supervisor Wood stated that the town cannot set speed limits. He has asked our Town Constable to do speed checks in that area.

Motion was made by Jacob to request the county to do a speed study. Seconded by Riddell Kent.

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

MINUTES

Motion was made to approve the Sept 5th and Sept 9th minutes by Jacob. Seconded by Riddell Kent.

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

BILLS

Motion made by Riddell Kent to pay the following bills. Seconded by Holleran

VOTE – Ayes 5, Nays 0 Motion Carried

Approved Expenses/Voucher #697-810

General	\$	144,483.95
Highway	\$	13,316.59
St Lighting	\$	2,322.06
Highway Garage	\$	421,517.00
Fire Protection	\$	-
WESD	\$	5,155.21
WSSD	\$	272.53
SSD	\$	610.94
WWD	\$	906.03
PWD	\$	83.45
SSWD	\$	482,284.14
T&A	\$	6,187.77
	\$	<u>1,077,139.67</u>

Motion was made by Jacob to adjourn. Seconded by Riddell Kent
Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Robinson
Town Clerk