

# **Center for Emergency Services**

## North Stonington

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Special Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2019

Location: North Stonington Volunteer Fire Company 25 Rocky Hollow Rd. North Stonington, CT 06359

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Chairman Carl Johnston at 6:10 PM

### Attendance:

*Committee:* Carl Johnston, Bob Shabunia, Ryan Burdick *Others:* First Selectman Mike Urgo, Christine Dias, Kati Murphy

### Minutes:

April 22, 2019- Amended May 24, 2019 Workshop Notes June 10, 2019 MOTION to approve minutes made by Ryan Burdick, second by Bob Shabunia. All in favor, motion passed.

### Correspondence

Copy of July 5, 2019 Bid, submitted by Pazz Construction, LLC.

### **Public Comments and Questions**

None

### **New Business**

Briefly discussed Pazz July 5 bid. No action to be taken.

### **Old Business**

Committee discussed best course of action in order to get the 3 bay garage/storage building constructed. At May 24 meeting Committee voted, pending Architect review, that the Board of Selectman awarded the contract to Bentley Builders LLC with Bid Alternates 1 & 3 to be included in the contract. It was noted at the May 24 meeting that though the base bid submitted by Suchocki & Son was lower than the base bid submitted by Bentley, alternates submitted by Bentley were lower than those submitted by Suchocki, making Bentley's bid with alternates 1& 3 the lowest of the 3 bids received.

Town received Silver Petrucelli's comments on May 28 at which time Silver Petrucelli deemed that Bentley had misunderstood the scope of Alternate #1 and that Suchocki was the better option.

The information was presented to the Board of Selectman at their next meeting and they were not all in agreement to move the project forward.

Discussion proceeded on what Committee can do to facilitate moving the project. There was discussion relative to public's perception of project funding and also questions as to whether or not all Selectmen had enough information regarding the project to make a decision. Bob's thoughts were that both the public and the BOS need clarification that this project has no impact on any current or future budget.

Committee will work on preparing a presentation for BOS to show the need for the building, the potential impacts of not constructing the building, and also show that moving the project forward will not cause any additional financial burden to the town.

MOTION made by Bob Shabunia to request response from the 3 May 24 bidders to provide an alternative of a pre-engineered building using the same specifications that were in the original bid package, including Bid Alternates 1 and 3.

Second by Ryan Burdick. No discussion. All in favor, motion passed.

Christine will contact those 3 bidders and request a response from them by Monday, July 22, 2019.

Committee will meet again on July 25.

MOTION to adjourn made by Ryan Burdick, second by Bob Shabunia. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM