

**CITY OF RUTLAND
BOARD OF FINANCE
WEDNESDAY, May 10, 2017**

Present: Mayor Allaire, President Davis, Treasurer Wilton, Purchasing Agent Sara Magro, City Clerk Heck, Superintendent Wight, Chief Kilcullen and Engineer James Rotondo.

Mayor Allaire called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

ADDITIONS & DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Chief Kilcullen asked that HVAC systems within City Government be added for discussion. The request was so moved and passed.

BID OPENINGS:

There were no bids to open.

BID AWARDS:

DPW: Killington Avenue Sidewalk Construction

Engineer Rotondo was present to recommend R. Parker Enterprises. Engineer Rotondo noted there were two options for the project and reviewed the anticipated construction phase costs as well as available funds. A motion was made and seconded (Allaire, Davis) approving the recommendation from Engineer Rotondo, approving R. Parker Enterprises in the amount of \$559,797.60. **Motion passed.**

REC: White's Pool

Superintendent Wight was present to review the four (4) bids received to build the new White's Pool. Superintendent Wight distributed a packet of information containing bid analysis report, the bid specs and bid results as well as references for all bidders. Superintendent Wight then asked the Board to approve Russell Construction Services as the low bidder for the White's Pool Rehabilitation Project. There was brief discussion with the Board. A motion was made and seconded (Davis, Allaire) approving the recommendation of the Superintendent. Treasurer Wilton noted her non-support of the motion and asked that her prepared statement be included in the minutes and read her statement aloud.

Statement of Treasurer Wendy Wilton to
Rutland City Board of Finance

Re: Pool bids
May 10, 2017

"I will be voting no on the pool bids and I would like to explain my vote and have my explanation included in the record:

The bids for the construction of a new City pool have come in below the remaining amount available to spend on this facility. While that is favorable for the purpose of constructing a City pool—as re-designed--it will not be the same project the voters of the City approved when they approved the \$2.5 million bond in March 2016. The engineering firm failed to accurately determine the price of the pool as originally designed. As a result of their failures, and the City's failure to monitor this project, will be no building to house permanent restrooms or showers. Therefore it is not a replacement of the current facility.

The City will need to find additional funding in the range of \$250,000 to \$500,000, and possibly more, to construct restrooms and showers to complete the project as presented to the voters. For these reasons I cannot support funding for this project due to my disappointment."

Upon the completion of the statement the vote was taken, two (2) YES and one (1) NO. **Motion passed.**

Fire Department; New Truck #4

Chief Engineer Jones was present to go over the recommendation to the Board. Chief Jones also had a detailed packet of information for the Board and reviewed its contents. Chief Jones noted three (3) bidders and outlined each with their associated criteria. Chief Jones then asked the Board to award the bid to Minuteman Fire & Rescue Apparatus, Inc. – Pierce. There was discussion from the Board as Pierce was the high bidder. Chief Jones noted that Pierce was well respected in the industry and also quoted the bid specs as presented by the Rutland Truck Committee. A motion was made and seconded (Allaire, Wilton) approving the recommendation to Pierce in the amount of \$494,605.00 (This price included a 10% discount for paying in full within fifteen (15) days of the fully executed contract. **Motion passed.**

City-wide HVAC Systems

Police Chief Kilcullen was present to revisit the topic of HVAC systems, noting the problems with the units at the police station. The Board did discuss the needs of the city as to HVAC and asked the Purchasing Agent to look at preparing an RFP to research how the city should handle/budget for needed improvements.

There were no other items to come before the Board of Finance.

A motion was made and passed to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Heck
Rutland City Clerk