

TOWN OF STERLING
Select Board Meeting
December 3, 2020

MEETING:

Chair Cranson, called the Select Board meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Roll Call: Chair Cranson – Present. Select member Sonnenberg – Participated remotely. Select member Kilcoyne – Present. Also present were Town Administrator, Kellie Hebert, Interim Town Administrator, Fred Aponte and Senior Executive Assistant, Kama Jayne.

**Bid approval –
Senior Center
garage**

Discussion;

- The bidding for the Senior Center resulted in 11 bids.
- Low bidder was E5 Builders @ \$145,630.00 (This is a veteran owned company with experience in Residential, Commercial, State and Federal projects)
- Funding and authorization for the SC Garage came in the form of an article on the Town's 2014 Warrant.
- The Bldg. Committee was awarded \$2.7 million dollars for the building and development of the site on Muddy Pond and Boutelle.
- This was approved and supported by the BOS and Finance as 'excluded debt' which was the same funding used for building the Police and Fire stations.
- The approved funding was designated for design, project management, construction and all items and services related to completion.
- The Building Committee was always aware that a garage was in the plans. (A conduit for electrical service to the site of the future garage, as well as service for a generator in the back were installed in the initial phases of the project.)
- However, the Senior Center “proper” was brought to completion FIRST to be certain of the necessary residual funding which would be required for the garage.
- The “garage money” was successfully put aside because State grants and Friends of the Seniors fund raising efforts, were used for the kitchen, furniture and “extras” etc. Also, various departments in Town contributed to the savings. (SMLD was able to lessen the cost of some of the lighting and DPW, did some of the landscaping.)
- SMLD will assist with the electrical costs for the garage (electrical is not included in the bid)

It was further explained that it was, in fact, fortunate that the garage project did not go forward immediately as it would have already become inadequate. (The size of the MART buses has recently increased and an electric car has been donated since the SC has been built.)

The owner of E5 Builders, Jacob LaRoche and operations director, Tom Anderson, attended the meeting to answer questions. After discussion, Select member Kilcoyne moved to authorize the New Town Administrator, Kellie Hebert, to sign the garage contract with E5 Builders for the Senior Center Garage. Select member Sonnenberg 2nd. Chair Cranson – Aye. Select member Sonnenberg – Aye. Select Member Kilcoyne – Aye. Motion Carried.

Adjourn

At 4:25 pm Select member Kilcoyne moved to adjourn the meeting. Select member Sonnenberg – 2nd. Select member Sonnenberg – Aye. Chair Cranson – Aye. Select member Kilcoyne - Aye. Motion Carried

Materials: Contract