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MINUTES VIRTUAL SPECIAL MEETING WPCA MEETING OF NORTH BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT

Monday, November 6, 2023

VIA ZOOM
6:00 pm

Mayor Macmillen called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Salute to the Flag

1. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Macmillen, Deputy Mayor Zampano, Councilor Angeloni, Councilor Diamond, Councilor Goad, Councilor Palladino and Councilor Pelliccia.

Also Present: Town Manager Downes, Town Treasurer/ Finance Director Esposito, Public Works Director Merola, Public Works Assistant Director Celentano, Town Attorney LeClerc.

Absent: Councilor Abelson and Councilor Mase

2. Approval of bid #24111 Roof Removal & Replacement for Ambulance HQ Building

The Bid specifications were approved by the Council on October 3, 2023, and the bid results were opened on October 30, 2023.

We are recommending that the Council approve the lowest bidder, Premier Building of North Branford, for \$34,350, which includes the \$1,850 power wash item. The full results of the bid opening are offered in support of this memorandum. We are also recommending that the Council authorize up to \$40,000 for this project as the bid does not include unanticipated incidental repairs along the way that may be discovered when the roof is opened.

We appreciate the Council acting this evening to ensure a quicker start to the project to accommodate the weather concerns expressed by Fran Merola, our Director of Public Works.

MOTION: The North Branford Town Council hereby awards Premier Building of North Branford, CT, Bid #24111 for the removal and replacement of the Ambulance Headquarters building, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

MOVED: Councilor Diamond

SECOND: Councilor Angeloni

Discussion: Deputy Mayor Zampano asked why this is a special meeting. Town Manager Downes stated that this is in consideration of the weather concerns. We would have to wait until the November 21st meeting and then work wouldn't be able to begin until December- January. Deputy Mayor Zampano asked if we knew about the replacement earlier, why the rush? Town Manager Downes stated this was a bid that was approved at the October 3rd meeting. Councilor Diamond said the Town Council approved the bid specs and on October 30th the bids were opened and now we have the results of those bids. Councilor Diamond asked how come there was such a wide variety of bids for the roof replacement. Director of Public Works Merola shared that the price he quoted in his research is right in line with this town oriented company. Councilor Goad shared that within the construction industry, there are a lot of businesses that if they don't want the job they bid a higher amount, knowing that they won't get it. The more realistic companies tend to be the lower bidders. Town Treasurer/Finance Director Esposito shared that \$65,000 was allocated in the CIP, Director of Public Works Merola said there are other repairs that will need to be done, and the hope is to have it all completed under that \$65,000 allocation.

VOTE: 7-0

With all in favor, the motion is passed.

3. Adjournment

Mayor Macmillen declared the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m, due to no further items on the agenda.