

Minutes
SELECT BOARD
Tuesday, August 27, 2019 5:00 p.m.
Town Office 32 Main Street

Select Board present: John O'Rourke, Chair; Bob Armstrong

Others present: Walter Goodridge, Chair, Highway Facility Committee; Ron Sweet, Highway Superintendent; Tom Hutcheson, Town Administrator

Public Comments *None.*

Old Business *None.*

New Business

Sign contract for blasting for Highway shed

Goodridge presented the blasting contract, which has been drawn up by Andrea Woods at the FRCOG and signed by the blasting company that won the bid. Goodridge has met with the company and believes they will be good. There is also a change order, as the FRCOG had initially asked for an \$5M of umbrella insurance, which the quote reflected, and further negotiation brought the insurance cost down to \$1.2M, resulting in an \$80,000 bid rather than \$89,000.

Armstrong asked why there was time pressure. Sweet said that we have 30 days to accept the bid, but the contractor is pushing a bit, as is everyone, in order to get a jump on the work for the fall. Blasting is expected to take about a month; bids for the shed construction are going to be opened September 20, and they'll want to get started as soon as possible, so we want the preliminary work to be complete.

- **On a motion from O'Rourke to sign the contract, seconded by Armstrong, the vote was unanimous in favor.**
- **On a motion from O'Rourke to sign the change order, seconded by Armstrong, the vote was unanimous in favor.**

Items Not Anticipated 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting *None.*

Concerns of the Selectmen *None.*

Mail *None.*

Announcements *None.*

Next Meeting: Scheduled for Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at the Town Office, 32 Main Street, 6:00 p.m.

The listing of agenda items includes matters reasonably anticipated by the Chair to come under discussion at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.