Town of Plainfield Special Select Board Meeting August 11, 2023 Via Zoom Minutes - Approved

Agenda:

- Changes to Agenda
- Public Comment
- Purchase of International CV515 for \$171,618 to replace Ford F550 with bent frame
- Consideration of 84-month Extended warranty for CV515 at cost of \$6,629
- Executive Session regarding evaluation of a public officer or employee pursuant 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3)
- Return from Executive Session/Decisions (if any) in public
- Adjourn

Present: Select Board members Riley Carlson (Chair), Bram Towbin, and Jim Volz. Also present was Eric Blaisdell of the Times Argus.

Chair Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

Changes to Agenda:

Carlson requested to add an additional topic to the executive session regarding a different public officer or employee.

Towbin requested the addition of a discussion of the draft of the letter to the owner of 1248 Brook Rd. Carlson stated that this discussion could be added before the executive session.

Select Board members agreed to these changes to the agenda.

Public Comment:

Chair Carlson opened the floor to public comment. There was no public comment.

Purchase of International CV515 for \$171,618 to replace Ford F550 with bent frame:

Carlson shared that they have not yet received financing information from the bank. Select Board members agreed to go forward without that information. Carlson moved to authorize the purchase of the International CV515 for a purchase price of \$171,618 from Allegiance Trucks and authorize Bram Towbin to sign the document to reserve the truck. The motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of 84-month Extended warranty for CV515 at cost of \$6,629:

Carlson suggested the Select Board approve this warranty that Road Foreman Bingham recommends. Carlson moved to approve purchasing the 84-month extended warranty for the truck that the Select Board just authorized the purchase of at a cost of \$6,629. The motion carried unanimously.

Review letter to owner of 1248 Brook Rd.:

Towbin shared that he will change the date included in the letter to August 17, 2023. Volz moved to approve the draft of the letter and authorize Bram Towbin to pick the appropriate date to put in the letter. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session regarding evaluation of a public officer or employee pursuant 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3):

Carlson moved to enter executive session regarding the evaluation of public officers pursuant 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3). The motion carried unanimously. The Select Board entered executive session at 6:10 pm.

Return from Executive Session/Decisions (if any) in public:

Upon return from executive session Carlson reported that there was nothing to report on the first topic discussed. He shared that the Select Board will explore hiring an external auditor to conduct a comprehensive audit of Town finances. He stated this is due to the time passed since the last external audit as well as recent turnover of Town officials.

Adjourn: Towbin moved to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kristin Brosky, Plainfield Town Administrative Assistant.