

September 2, 2020

The meeting of the Sterling Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Selectmen present-Russell Gray, Lincoln Cooper, and John Firlik.

Staff present-Joyce Gustavson.

Pledge of Allegiance: Everyone stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience of Citizens: No comment.

Approval of Minutes: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to approve the 8/12/2020 meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.

Correspondence: None.

Unfinished Business:

a. Commission Vacancies (Inland Wetland & Watercourses Commission, Northeast District Department of Health, Planning & Zoning Commission, and Zoning Board of Appeals): J.

Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to table this item to the next meeting as there are no candidates. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Consider & Act on Proposal to Rewire Approximately 250 Emergency Lights to the Generator Panel – Sterling Community School, 251 Sterling Road: The Energy Committee reviewed the bids and Michael Avery of Millennium Electric, LLC submitted the lowest bid. At the request of the Energy Committee, he submitted Addendum I: Emergency Lighting Changes – Scope of Work, dated 9/2/2020 (copy on file). The Energy Committee at their special meeting held 8/27/2020 amended the bid to include a ten (10) percent contingency be added to the budgeted project. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to award the bid pending final approval from the Board of Finance to rewire approximately 250 emergency lights to the generator panel at the Sterling Community School, 251 Sterling Road to Millennium Electric, LLC, 999 Ekonk Hill Road, Voluntown, CT 06384 in the amount of \$62,500 plus a ten (10) percent contingency (\$6,250) making the final cost not to exceed \$68,750. All voted in favor of the motion.

New Business:

a. Approval of Bills: J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to approve the bills for 8/19/2020 in the amount of \$13,721.88 and 8/26/2020 in the amount of \$20,978.97. All voted in favor of the motion.

b. Discussion Regarding the Generator at the Sterling Municipal Building – 1183 Plainfield Pike: R. Gray reported that he contacted AC/DC Industrial Electric, LLC and they will stop here next time they go to Canterbury. Michael Avery of Millennium Electric, LLC was also contacted, and he referred us to Bill Chaput. R. Gray and B. Chaput have been playing phone tag and Russell will continue to contact him. J. Firlik stated that he would like the generator to be functional before the November election. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to table this item to the next meeting. All voted in favor of the motion.

c. Consider & Act on Purchasing a Van: The Board of Selectmen received the following bid for one new van: Gengras Ford-FCA-Chevrolet-Honda-Volvo-VW, 460 Connecticut Boulevard, East Hartford, CT 06108 in the amount of \$27,889.95, including air conditioning with three (3) zone temperature control, SafetyTec, and rear DVD player with ten (10) inch rear-facing, pull-down screen. Ben Barbeau, Town Mechanic, solicited this bid through the State of Connecticut, Contracting Portal, Department of Administrative Services, State Contract Award #19PSX0161. L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to award the bid for the purchase of a 2020 Chrysler Voyager L (RUCE53) van to Gengras Ford-FCA-Chevrolet-Honda-Volvo-VW, 460 Connecticut Boulevard, East Hartford, CT 06108 for \$27,889.95. All voted in favor of the motion.

d. Consider & Act on Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments (NECCOG)

Contract – Paramedic Intercept Services: R. Gray reported that the following contract was received from the Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments (NECCOG): Paramedic Intercept Services. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Paramedic Intercept Services contract on behalf of the Town of Sterling. All voted in favor of the motion.

e. Consider & Act on 2019-2020 Board of Selectmen Budget Transfers: S. Soucy, Treasurer, submitted the Board of Selectmen’s FY 2019-2020 Budget Transfer Requests. J. Firlik made a motion, seconded by L. Cooper to request the Board of Finance to make the following transfers to the Board of Selectmen’s 2019-2020 Budget in the amount of \$5,220.72. All voted in favor of the motion.

**STERLING BOARD OF SELECTMEN
2019-2020 BUDGET TRANSFER REQUEST**

Budget bottom line overspent		Transfer from Accounts	
Community Center		Economic Development	
Maintenance	-\$5,220.72	Operations	\$5,220.72

Any Other Business: None.

Adjournment: L. Cooper made a motion, seconded by J. Firlik to adjourn at 6:43 p.m. All voted in favor of the motion.

Attest: _____
Joyce A. Gustavson, Recording Secretary