

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

October 2, 2019

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At a regular meeting of the County Commissioners of the County of York, begun and holden at the York County Government Building in Alfred, within and for the County of York, being held on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 A. D. at 4:30 P. M.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Richard R. Dutremble
Michael J. Cote
Richard Clark
Robert Andrews
Allen Sicard

County Manager Gregory Zinser was present at the meeting.

All present were invited to rise and salute the flag of the United States.

10-02-19 ITEM

- 1 **PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON ANY ITEM(S)**
None
- 2 **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2019 MEETING**
Commissioner Cote motioned to approve the minutes. Commissioner Clark seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
- 3 **TO APPROVE TREASURER'S WARRANTS**
 - a. Approve treasurer's warrant dated September 18, 2019 in the amount of \$210,262.65
Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the treasurer's warrant as noted above.
Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
 - b. Approve treasurer's warrant dated September 25, 2019 in the amount of \$545,509.17
Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the treasurer's warrant as noted above.
Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.
- 4 **TO HEAR ANY REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**
Commissioner Cote informed all that his name was forwarded to the Governor to serve on the LD829 Sentencing Commission. He was appointed and the first meeting is tomorrow. He added that he will keep all informed and will be looking for input from the Sheriff's Office during this process.
Commissioner Sicard thanked the Journal Tribune for their coverage of County news as next week the Journal Tribune will cease publication. He added that he would especially like to thank Reporter, Tammy Wells.

5 TO HEAR ANY REPORTS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

No formal reports

6 NEW BUSINESS

- a. Introduce H.R. Director, Linda Corliss to request hiring of Roger Hooper in the position of Fire Liaison in EMA with an effective date of hire of October 15, 2019- County Manager Greg Zinser stated that he was pleased to advance Roger Hooper for the Commissioners' consideration for the Fire Chief Liaison position. He continued that this is a culmination of a lot of work and that the position has been in the budget for awhile. Mr. Zinser added that there has also been a lot of effort on Art's end to establish this position.

H.R. Director Linda Corliss requested hiring approval for Roger Hooper with an effective date of hire of October 15, 2019.

Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the hiring of Roger Hooper with an effective date of October 15, 2019. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: Commissioner Dutremble asked for the position's starting salary. County Manager Zinser stated the starting salary will be \$70,000.

Vote 5-0.

Commissioner Cote, in his role as a Dedimus Justice swore Roger Hooper in.

- b. Introduce H.R. Director, Linda Corliss to request hiring of Jessica Campbell in the position of Restitution Clerk in the D.A.'s office with an effective hiring date of October 7, 2019- H. R. Director, Linda Corliss requested hiring approval for the position that was vacated by an internal transfer to the Sheriff's Office earlier in the year.

Commissioner Clark moved to approve the hiring of Jessica Campbell with a starting date of October 7, 2019. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

- c. Introduce Major Paul Mitchell to seek approval on vehicle purchases per approved budget- Bid minutes attached as record.

County Manager Zinser introduced Major Mitchell to the Board. Commissioner Cote asked if the requested vehicles will be used for patrol purposes? Major Mitchell replied that they will be. Commissioner Sicard commented that since Arundel Ford is \$200 higher, should we reexamine that bid for warranty work. Major Mitchell replied that it was put into the RFP that preferential treatment could be given to a local dealer. Commissioner Cote stated that he thinks we should consider the local company (Arundel Ford). Commissioner Clark stated that he will repeat the same thing he said the last time, we asked for their best bid. He stated that he will support giving the bid to the low bidder as it's the same product.

Commissioner Clark motioned to award the bid for six (6) 2020 Ford Police Interceptor utility vehicles to Quirk Auto Group. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion.

Discussion- Commissioner Dutremble stated that if the vehicle needs to be brought to Portland we'd be paying hourly wages for employees.

Commissioner Cote stated that what Commissioner Clark says makes sense. It is the only way to get honest bids.

Vote-3-2 (Commissioner Dutremble and Commissioner Sicard opposed).

The County Manager informed the Board that he had recently had conversations with the Sheriff's Office about their fleet. He clarified that he was not looking for approval tonight but that he wanted to float to the Board the possible acquisition of a crime scene van.

Major Mitchell explained that the department is in need of a new evidence van for CID.

The current vehicle is a 2004 Chevy vehicle (16 ft.). We were thinking of maybe buying a smaller vehicle that we can put in the garage. The current one is rusty and in bad shape. County Manager Zinser informed the Commissioner that the vehicle reserve has \$80,000 to \$90,000 in it.

Commissioner Cote asked if the associated costs in the handout were all included. Major Mitchell replied they were. Commissioner Cote asked how often does this van roll out? Major Mitchell replied that because it is old, not as much as it would be. He added that they have been asked often to do a crime scene demo at a community event. The County Manager added that CID does go to other towns including school events. Commissioner Cote stated that the important issue is the value it has for the department for what you need it to do. He added that he would support getting real cost numbers. Commissioner Clark stated that he supports this issue. He commented that once the Sheriff's Office gets the vehicle, there will be lots more demand. Commissioner Cote commented that this type of vehicle will last a long time as it's not driven all the time.

County Manager Greg Zinser stated that they will prepare specifications and bid the vehicle out and bring the bids back to the Commissioners to seek approval to purchase.

- d. EMA Director Art Cleaves to give a report and PowerPoint on recent open house- This item was postponed until the next meeting.

7 OLD BUSINESS

- a. Commissioners to review and approve Findings of Facts for poverty abatement #9-18-19

County Manager Zinser informed the Commissioners that they have been given the Findings of Facts from the Hearing that, once approved, will be mailed out to the subject and the town they reside in.

Commissioner Clark motioned to approve the Findings of Fact on abatement case # 9-18-19 and authorized the Chairman to sign. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

- b. Update on new County garage

County Manager Zinser recapped that at the last meeting there was some confusion on the approval of a permit. Facilities Manager, Rick DeRochemont, will give the board an update on where the project stands. We have enlisted PATCO to get us some different options after our discussion at the last meeting. A permit has been submitted to the town. Rick circulated a drawing of a (5) five bay garage. He informed all that he just received an e-mail that we will be going in front of the zoning board to see if this (garage) is an allowable use. The issue that came up at the last meeting was that our building was non-conforming under the water shed protection act.

The County Manager stated that under normal circumstances the permit could be given but because we are in the well head protection area, we have to get approval (non-conforming building).

Rick also mentioned all submitted documents (quotes) do expire in 30 days. He reminded all that there were portable units on the land before so he doesn't see where we will have any issues with the Town. Commissioner Cote added that also would've added to the septic system and this will not. Commissioner Clark asked when this matter will go before the zoning board? Rick replied on October 8th.

Commissioner Sicard asked if this will be winter construction? Rick deRochemont replied building would start in the spring.

Commissioner Clark asked what the total cost for a 5 bay garage would be. Rick replied that it is \$48,970 additional for one bay for a total of \$438,900.00.

Commissioner Clark motioned to award the bid for a five bay garage to PATCO

in the amount of \$438,900.00 with the stipulation that the permit is approved.
Commissioner Sicard seconded the motion. Vote 5-0.

- 8 TO CONDUCT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PERSONNEL ISSUES PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6) (A), ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY OR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (C), LABOR NEGOTIATIONS PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (D) AND CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (E), REVIEW OF CONFIDENTIAL RECORDS PURSUANT TO 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (F)**

None

- 9 PUBLIC COMMENT(S) ON ANY ITEM(S)**

None

- 10 ADJOURN**

Commissioner Clark motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Cote seconded the motion. Vote 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.