

Sherborn Select Board

July 13, 2023

Virtual Meeting

7:00 PM

Members Present: Jeffrey Waldron, Steven Tsai, Paul DeRensis, Marian Neutra

Eric Johnson was not present for tonight's meeting

SB Staff: Diane Moores

Reading of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as read

Moved: Paul DeRensis

Second: Marian Neutra

Roll Call: Neutra, aye; DeRensis, aye; Tsai, aye, Waldron, aye

Consideration of FY23 Year End Transfers, Deb Sieftring, Finance Director

Deb informed the SB that on July 13, 2023 the Advisory Committee met and approved the transfers.

The following Departments are in deficit:

Town Counsel \$60,800

IT \$24,100

Town Bldgs. \$74,300

Bd. Of Health \$18,000

Motion to approve the FY23 Year End as listed by the Finance Director

Moved: Paul DeRensis

Second: Marian Neutra

Roll Call: Neutra, aye; DeRensis, aye; Tsai, aye, Waldron, aye

Consideration to go out to Bid for a Bond Anticipation Note for up to \$3,157,719.00, Town Treasurer

Heidi Doyle informed the Board that last year we approved five out of the six items below with a 2.8 million Dollar Bond Ban. Today Heidi is asking that the SB renew those items with the differences as we are now reducing the Woodhaven Window dollar amount by \$100,000 because of an Earmark that the Town received and are now rolling in a DPW pick-up truck and adding ATM 23 Roadway Management in the amount of \$250,000.

Library project: \$1,900,000

ATM22 Stormwater compliance: \$200,000

ATM 22 Roadway Management: \$500,000

ATM 22 Pine Hill school floors: \$68,000

ATM 22 Woodhaven windows: \$130,000 (\$100,000 earmark received)

ATM 21 DPW pick-up truck: 109,719 (was on a separate BAN)

ATM23 Roadway Management: \$250,000

Total: \$3,157,719.00

Motion: Move to go out to bid for Bond Anticipation Note for up to \$3,157,719.00 for renewal of prior BAN Items plus an additional Annual Town Meeting 2023 Article for Roadway Management.

Moved: Paul DeRensis

Second: Marian Neutra

Roll Call: Neutra, aye; DeRensis, aye; Tsai, aye, Waldron, aye

Consideration/Discussion of sending a letter to the Regional School Administration regarding the 2023 Inter Municipal Agreement, Heidi Doyle, Town Treasurer.

Heidi informed the Select Board that the Town entered into an Inter Municipal Agreement (IMA) dated March 16, 2023 with the Dover Sherborn Regional School District that lists a payment due for November 5, 2023. It has come to light that after a recent conversation with the Region the project is now slated for next summer and the HVAC is still currently in the design phase.

The Treasurer stated that she will be holding this until the December borrowing as the Town will have revenue coming in November that can cover the amount due to the Region for 1 month.

The Treasurer is questioning why the Town is borrowing so far in advance, paying interest costs and having the Region earn the interest on these funds for 7 months, which is approximately \$2,000 a month. Based on a \$500,000 borrowing that would roughly be \$14,000. She would rather the Town hold onto the money versus the Region.

Under Section 7 of the IMA, it states that the agreement can be amended if the Town of Dover and the Regional School Committee vote to amend the agreement. Heidi would like to see the Agreement amended to allow the town to only have to give a down payment in November and the rest closer to when the actual work will be done.

Paul DeRensis stated that this is worth trying because it would save us some money and we don't need to amend it now if we make the payment in November. The timing is off from when the IMA was signed.

Chairman Waldron stated that he would like to draft a letter to send to the Region asking if they could give us the timing of their cash flow associated with the HVC project so that we can adjust our borrowing accordingly.

The Treasurer stated that the IMA is a signed Agreement and come November we will need to send the Region \$552,000 unless they will be willing to amend the agreement.

Paul DeRensis for the record stated that anyone listening should be assured that the work is going to get done, all we are trying to do is save the town some interest on the money.

It was discussed what the actual down payment amount is needed come November and is it a requirement that the Town of Dover would also need to approve amending the Agreement along with the School Committee.

Steven Tsai stated that what we are proposing is that once they know what the amount of the down payment is, we would pay that amount and pay you the full amount later closer to when the work would begin.

Motion

Move to draft a letter to the Regional School Committee regarding the cash flow timing and borrowing of the HVAC project.

Moved: Jeffrey Waldron

Second: Steven Tsai

Roll Call: Neutra, aye; DeRensis, aye; Tsai, aye, Waldron, aye

Consideration to Re-Certify Robert Wolff as the Town's representative to the Metrowest Regional Transit Authority (MWRTA)

The Town received a letter from Jim Nee, Administrator for the MWRTA asking each of the Authorities member communities to re-certify with the name and contact information of its representative to the Authority.

Motion: Move to re-certify Robert Wolff as the Town's representative to the Metrowest Regional transit Authority.

Moved: Paul DeRensis

Second: Marian Neutra

Roll Call: Neutra, aye; DeRensis, aye; Tsai, aye, Waldron, aye

Coolidge Street Homes – 40B – consideration of requesting a 30-Day Extension on Comment to Mass Housing

Motion: Move to send a letter to Mass Housing asking for a 30-day extension on comments

Moved: Paul DeRensis

Second: Marian Neutra

Roll Call: Neutra, aye; DeRensis, aye; Tsai, aye, Waldron, aye

Coolidge Street Traffic Update, Chief Tom Galvin

Jeff Waldron stated that he had received an email from a resident on Coolidge Street with an attachment from 6 or 8 residents that have concerns about the increased traffic. Jeff responded to the residents informing them that the SB would be discussing this tonight and letting them know that the Public Safety Committee will be meeting on July 18th to also discuss and come up with some solutions to the traffic problems and invited any interested residents to attend the Public Safety Meeting.

There was a meeting that was held with the Chief Galvin, Lt. Tedstone, Sean Killeen, Addie Mae Weiss, Zach Ward and Jeremy Marsette to discuss the resident's concerns.

Chief Galvin stated that they have come up with probably about a half a dozen of near-term, and medium-term actions that will be discussed with the Public Safety Committee. Short term, definitely know that one of the first things that was done was to set up a data collection box and a portable speed sign that has already been deployed. The PD is aware of the many crashes and many of them have been serious crashes especially in the last couple of years late at night.

The highway department has started their vegetation cleaning so that will improve some site lines. Signs are missing and we will get those signs replaced.

Medium Term would be to pursue MassDOT funded "Roadway Safety Audit", curve warning signs with advisory speeds, relocate/re-stripe white shoulder lines to narrow traffic lanes from 12 feet to 10 feet. Implement a 25-mph speed limit for Coolidge Street, per MGL Chapter 90, Section 17C.

The discussion was then opened up to the Select Board and then to the interested residents that attended the meeting.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Consent agenda as presented

Moved: Paul DeRensis

Second: Marian Neutra

Roll Call: Neutra, aye; DeRensis, aye; Tsai, aye, Waldron, aye;

Motion to Adjourn

Moved: Pau DeRensis

Second: Marian Neutra

Roll Call: Neutra, aye; DeRensis, aye; Tsai, aye, Waldron, aye

Meeting ended at 7:55PM

Submitted by Diane Moores

The full meeting may be viewed by going to [www.DSCTV.com](http://www.DSCTV.com) or [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) . Documents from the meeting may be viewed by emailing [Diane.Moores@sherbornma.org](mailto:Diane.Moores@sherbornma.org)

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