

Town of Princeton, Mass. -- Town Hall Annex

ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes, March 3, 2020 6:00PM

Present: Chair William Holder, Members Matt Granger, Ann Neuburg, Kevin Toohey, Town Administrator Sherry Patch, Highway Superintendent Ben Metcalf and Advisory Committee member Bill Lawton

6:16PM Opened meeting in the small conference room in the Town Hall Annex

Vote: minutes of February 18, 2020, meeting unanimously approved.

Review Construction and Engineering Bids

The lowest bidder for the Highway Barn Bridge on East Princeton Road was A. J. Virgilio in the amount of \$956,375. The lowest bidder for the Route 31/Mirick Road Culvert was Kenefick Corp. in the amount of \$239,651. A motion was made and approved that the RAC recommend to the Select Board the approval and award of these bids.

Following a review and examination of the bids submitted for the engineering of the Leominster Road and Coal Kiln Road Projects, it was recommended that the bids for both roads be awarded to vhb in the amount of \$74,750 (\$72,750 net of allowances). It was deemed that it would be highly advantageous for the Town to accept the bid from vhb. The possibility of vhb providing construction oversight on these two road projects was also discussed. A motion was made and approved that the RAC recommend to the Select Board the approval and award of this bid.

Long-term Financing of bridge and culvert projects

The importance of continued Chapter 90 funding on the road program was discussed.

Project planning and scheduling

Matt Granger reiterated again that the Town engage an engineer to perform soil compaction tests on the Highway Barn and Route 31/Mirick Road upcoming construction projects. These tests are critical because both of these projects utilization an aluminum arch type of construction.

Adjourn 7:57 PM

Respectfully submitted: Bill Holder, Chair

