



TOWN OF HARWINTON

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CAPITAL EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY June 30th, 2016

Chairman, John Fredsall, called the meeting to order at 7:25 pm. Committee members who were present included Dave Bousquet, Bill Buys Jr. and I. Jim Savenella was not back from Arizona yet and Bob Santamaria was sick. The minutes from the previous meeting of February 4th, 2016 were passed out and reviewed. Dave made a motion to accept with John's second, and the motion to accept was unanimous.

The items on the agenda was for the committee to review the quotes the Town received for a new Highway Truck and a New Boom Mowing Tractor which the funding for was approved at the annual budget meeting and that the Town had asked for quotes. \$170,000 and \$160,000 were budgeted for the Highway Truck and Boom Mower respectively.

The committee took up the Boom Mower first. At the previous meeting the committee decided to have Bacher Corporation update their quote for the Tractor and Mower as they are the dealer for this type of Mower in CT. The quote received from Bacher for an Alamo Mower mounted on a model 6119 4WD John Deere Tractor was \$150,786.00, which is with the State Bid price reduction and the Town's trade in. The tractor and mower meets all the Town specifications. Bill made a motion to recommend to the selectman that the Town accept the quote from Bacher Corporation of East Windsor CT. for the Mower and Tractor as quoted at a cost of \$150,786.00. With Dave's second the motion to accept carried unanimously.

The committee then took up the new Highway truck with its mounted equipment (Unit #7), for which the Town asked for a bid from Nutmeg International in Torrington. Nutmeg International in Torrington, CT. holds the State bid for Highway Plow trucks in CT. Nutmeg bid a new model, 2017, 7500 International chassis. The chassis meets or exceeds the Town's specifications. The bid also included a bid from H.P. Fairfield Company for the combination body, plow, and related equipment which meets all the Town's specifications. Available extended warranties were reviewed. The members feel extending the warranty is important on new trucks because of the complicated electronics they use today. The committee recommends the following warranties; Extended complete vehicle coverage for 5-years, 100,000 miles at a cost of \$3,750.00, Engine and it's electronics for 5-years, 150,000 miles for \$2,800.00, Injectors, Turbo and after treatment for 5-years, 150,000 miles at a cost of \$600.00, and Allison's 5-year transmission warranty at a cost of \$500.00. Total of all warranties, mounted equipment and the truck chassis totals \$169,378.00. Dave made a motion to recommend to the Selectman that the Town award the bid to Nutmeg International of Torrington, CT for a model 7500 International chassis and mounted equipment from H.P. Fairfield Company of Columbia, CT which includes snowplow, combination body and related mounted equipment, with extended warranties for a total quote of \$169,378.00. Bill seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

The last item the committee discussed was some longer term planning of equipment replacement. A review of the Town's Capital Equipment list and projected life expectancy was done. There are some years where numerous large pieces are due at the same time. Some ideas were discussed to better manage those multiple years, like moving up some pieces and perhaps delaying some others. No decisions were made but a better understanding of the issue was defined and will be addressed at later meetings.

With nothing else on agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

John D. Fredsall
Chairman, Capital Equipment Committee

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