

TOWN OF TEMPLE, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
June 17, 2014  
FINAL MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Board members present: Gail Cromwell, George Willard, John Kieley by telephone

Also present: Tim Fiske, Road Agent

Call to order by G. Cromwell at 5:05 pm

Converse Road Bridge: John Kieley stated his name and that he was 90 miles away, which is why he was attending by telephone.

Fiske and the Board discussed the construction and construction engineering costs of the Converse Road Bridge. Due to increases in the cost of items the town is short approximately \$15,000.00 for the construction.

Kieley informed the Board that he has sent an email to Bob Durfee of Dubois & King requesting reconciliation between the recent quote of \$65,000.00 and the original quote of \$50,000.00 for the construction engineering. As of this date no response has been received.

Kieley stated 3 possible options:

- 1) Pay Dubois & King \$50,000.00 and take \$14,000.00 out of another account. The problem with this option is that the voters approved \$550,000.00 for this bridge.
- 2) Offer Dubois & King \$35,000.00 for the construction engineering phase of this project.
- 3) Go to another reputable State approved engineering firm and ask what they would do the construction phase of this project and then ask the State DOT to accept the change.

Kieley suggested a meeting with Bob Durfee and his boss at Dubois & King to determine if they would consider doing the construction engineering for \$35,000.00. Fiske could contact Durfee and Kieley would find out who Durfee's boss is and contact him. Kieley also suggested that Fiske contact other reputable engineering firms to determine a fair cost for the construction engineering. Cromwell and Willard agreed with this suggestion.

Cromwell asked if it would be possible for the town to act as a subcontractor for the bridge builder. Fiske stated that the builder would be willing to do this. Fiske thought that the town acting as a subcontractor for the bridge builder and negotiating the cost of the construction engineering could bring the project costs into line with the available money. Fiske said that the town acting as a subcontractor would not change the scope of the contractor's work, which was an area of concern to the DOT.

Kieley will draft an email to Nancy Mayville of the DOT for the Board and Fiske to review explaining the idea of negotiating with Dubois & King and the town working as a subcontractor for the bridge builder in order to keep the DOT informed. Kieley disconnected at 5:36 pm. Fiske explained to Cromwell and Willard what the engineers job is during the construction phase.

Move by Cromwell to adjourn, second by Willard, and so voted at 5:44 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Debra Harling