

A Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Collins, County of Erie, State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 14093 Mill Street, Collins, NY at 10:00 AM on the 25th day of August 2020.

Present: Kenneth Martin, Supervisor
Mary Stelley, Councilman
James Hotnich, Councilman
Jacquelyn McLean, Councilman
Jane Sion, Councilman
Becky Jo Summers, Town Clerk

Also Present: Derek Rule of MDA Engineering, Scott Martindale

Supervisor Martin called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM with the pledge to the Flag.

Resolution # 160: **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Motion made by Councilman Stelley seconded by Councilman Hotnich to approve the agenda with the addition of a discussion regarding the transfer station at the end of the meeting.

ADOPTED Aye 5 McLean, Sion, Hotnich, Stelley, Martin
Nay 0

1. Update – proposed community solar project

Supervisor Martin received a telephone call from Cory McCandless of Omni Navitas that there are two stumbling blocks (which effect the town requiring the non-refundable \$5,000.00 fee upon submission of the application). National Grid has not gotten back to them and there is a gas lease on the property covering two gas wells in the center of the field.

2. Resolution needed to approve change order No. 2 for highway barn electrical upgrades project

Two options were presented: 1. Place a concrete wall in front of the generator

2. Move the meter to the other side of the outer door

Highway Superintendent Waterman suggest the first option and Derek feels that is the most cost effective one. They will do the change orders so National Fuel can proceed.

RESOLUTION: #161: **APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #2 FOR HIGHWAY BARN ELECTRICAL UPGRADES PROJECT**

Motion made by Supervisor Martin and seconded by Councilman Sion that the following resolution is:

ADOPTED Aye 5 McLean, Sion, Hotnich, Stelley, Martin
Nay 0

WHEREAS, the present gas meter and gas service line to the highway barn must be replaced with new and larger capacity gas meter and gas service line as part of this project, and

WHEREAS, the new and much larger gas meter by code cannot be positioned in the same spot as the present meter, and

WHEREAS, two options were developed for the installation of the new gas meter and service line as follows:

Option No. 1 – Meter on New Precast Wall

State Group Cost = \$ 7,741.00

National Fuel Cost = \$ 7,200.00

Total Option 1 Cost = \$14,941.00

Option No. 2 – Meter on Highway Barn

State Group Cost = \$ 6,418.00

National Fuel Cost = \$ 9,500.00

Total Option 1 Cost = \$15,918.00

WHEREAS, when the project was bid, a \$5,000.00 time and materials contingency line item was included in the bid price. This bid item was intended for the Contractor to be able to submit bills from National Grid and National Fuel Gas for the work they would complete on the electric service and gas meter, respectively. During the pre-construction meeting, the Contractor agreed to work with both utility companies to have the bills submitted directly to the Town (with no Contractor mark-up), for the Town to pay outside of the Contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Collins Town Board hereby chooses Option #1 – Meter on Precast Wall in the amount of \$14,941.00 and approves Change Order #2 in the amount of \$7,741.00 to have the contractor The State Group International (USA) Limited complete the installation and that the Collins Town Supervisor be authorized to sign the change order in acknowledgement of acceptance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Collins Town Board hereby removes the \$5,000.00 time and materials contingency line item from the contract with The State Group International (USA) Limited as it is no longer necessary.

Councilman Hotnich asked about the ground settling at the Mill Street waterline project. Mr. Rule suggesting waiting until after the winter season and look at it next March/April.

The highway barn project is on hold waiting for the State Legislature.

3. Discussion on startup of programs at the LK Painter Center

The Little Einsteins would be run by Courtney Leith and one new person for a three-hour duration so she would not need a license and she feels this is a day-care program. This fall she plans on a maximum of eight children with daily temperature checks, sanitizing and she stated three-and four-year old's do not have to wear masks. A lease and insurance certificate would be needed. Attorney Musacchio would draft a new lease to be entered into and Mrs. Leith would have to have insurance. She would have to clean the room and restroom.

The Senior's program would be there five days a week at 33% occupancy, temperature checks, masks, hand sanitizing and contact trace forms filled out.

The VA is in two days a week and works out of a window.

4. Discussion on the streetlight conversion project

If we replaced 158 lights with LED's at a cost of \$ 18,140.44, we would get back \$ 8,625.00 and reduce energy consumption. Installation could still take place this year.

5. Transfer Station

Last year the DEC walked the property then drilled four monitoring wells and tested them. Some contamination was found. The Town was never notified of this.

With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Hotnich seconded by Councilman Sion the meeting was adjourned at 11:28 AM.

Becky Jo Summers, Town Clerk