

**MINUTES
TETLAK PARK FIELDS COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING, OXFORD TOWN HALL
MARCH 23, 2015– 7:00 P.M.**

In attendance: Glen Schumitz, Chairman; Bryan Nesteriak, Town Engineer; Susan Kondic; Rich Chandler, Vic Fallas; Jay Borkowski, Eric Scheurich. **Absent:** Debbie Gatto, Parks & Recreation Liaison

Call to Order: Chairman Glen Schumitz call the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Review and Approval of Minutes of 2/18/15 Regular Meeting: Motion to accept, Rich Chandler; seconded by Jay Borkowski. Minutes were unanimously accepted.

Phase I:

Meeting began with Mr. Schumitz covering the process of discussing bidders and making selection. Bid Summary included eight (8) potential bidders ranging from a high base bid of \$1.59M to a low bid of \$764,000. Added into the base bids were alternate bids (which is sod vs. seed) bringing high bid to \$1.68M and low bid to \$794,000.

Town Engineer Bryan Nesteriak began by going through the list beginning with Vaz Quality Works, who came in with the lowest bid.

His research into Vaz produced excellent references with many jobs being performed for the State of Connecticut, University of CT and Stratford Academy. They have 10-12 years in business. They have a low overhead which is probably why their price is the lowest. Bryan offered to track down some more references. Glen reviewed the website.

Discussion went on to Earthworks who had second low bid.

Guerrera Construction is well-known to Oxford but their alternate bid was high.

Jay was concerned that the Committee would take flak from citizenry if they went with Guerrera without seriously considering any of the other bids.

Rich Chandler had prepared an opinion on all the bids received which he presented to the Committee and discussion ensued on it.

Bryan Nesteriak suggested bringing in people from Vaz to be interviewed by the Committee.

Discussion was had regarding using sod, placing it correctly. Bryan says sod is good, it only needs three months to settle and establish.

Committee then discussed again site monitoring; there should be a plan for overseeing the project, possibly a Clerk of the Works. The cost would be anywhere from \$15,000-\$30,000 to hire a site monitor.

At this time, Mr. Schumitz made a motion to accept the bid for Aggie Park project to recommend Vaz Quality Works at \$794,000 as the preferred contractor. The Motion was seconded by Jay Borkowski and the vote was unanimous and so passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Schumitz to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Scheurich and the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lynnette Steeves,
Clerk

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