

**Town of Bradford
Special Town Board Meeting
Monday, March 16, 2020 at the Bradford Town Hall at 6:00 p.m.
Minutes**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairperson Sharon Douglas called the Special Town Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday March 16, 2020 at the Bradford Town Hall. Also present were Supervisors Sarah Pope, Loren Bobolz, Dan Huisheere and Ben Wellnitz, Treasurer Jill Bier, Clerk Sandra Clarke and Rock County Highway Commissioner Duane Jorgenson.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda. (Loren Bobolz/Ben Wellnitz) The motion carried by voice vote with no negative vote.

3. Discussion and action on signing of new SMA for Creek Road Railroad Bridge Project

Rock County Highway Commissioner Duane Jorgenson reported that when the bids came in for the project they were much higher. The low bid that was accepted had a mobilization cost increased by \$199,548.69 or almost 170% over the engineer's estimate of \$125,000. The engineer's estimate utilized approximately 7.5% of the total construction cost which is typical for bridge construction projects but the contractor's mobilization cost was 18.5% of the total construction cost.

Duane Jorgenson put in for a change management because of the increase in the mobilization and because the Town had been awarded a Multimodal Local Supplement for Creek Road which would tie in with the bridge project. The state approved the change management for additional funding of \$137,650 which brought the project back in line with the funding discussed on December 17, 2019 so the Town cost would be back to about \$196,900.

The state wants to know by Friday whether the Town and County will go ahead with the bridge project. He stated that the final numbers based on the SMA should be close to \$2,156,000. Based on actual

numbers with the real estate acquisition less because less acreage was required. The actual Town cost should be closed to \$184,000 than the \$196,920 before December.

The low bidder for the Creek Road Bridge Project was \$1.725 million and the next lowest bidder was \$2.5 million.

If the Town walked away from the project it would cost \$80,000 to walk away.

Motion that we move forward with the Creek Road Bridge Project. (Dan Huisheere/Loren Bobolz)

Roll call Vote:

Sarah Pope, "Yes."

Loren Bobolz, "Yes."

Dan Huisheere, "Yes."

Ben Wellnitz, "Yes."

Sharon Douglas, "Yes." The motion carried unanimously.

Sharon Douglas suggested that they do the MLS project at once in the same calendar year.

4. Approval of re-issuing lost check

Motion to reissue the lost check for \$74.00 to Nowlan & Mouat LLP. (Sarah Pope/Loren Bobolz) The motion carried by voice vote with no negative vote.

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn. (Loren Bobolz/Sarah Pope) The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Clarke, Clerk

Note: These are draft minutes to be approved at the 4-21-2020 Town Board meeting.