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THOMASTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2016

Roll Call:

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

First Selectman Mone, Selectman Perreault and Selectman Barrett, Sr. were present. Deborah Bournival, Administrative Assistant to the First Selectman, was available to take the minutes.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2016 regular meeting as presented. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

New Business/Tanko-LED Streetlight Presentation:

Joe Bollinger, Director of Sales, and Alex Wurzel presented for Tanko.

Tanko Lighting has extensive knowledge and experience with street lighting conversion projects. They have done over 200,000 conversions nationwide. What distinguishes them from their competitors is their sole focus on street lighting.

Tanko, whose main office is located in San Francisco, California and field offices in Wallingford, CT/Boston, MA and Woburn, MA, was one of three companies approved by the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities.

Tanko is currently implementing LED street lights in approximately 13 towns and cities across Connecticut.

Task 1 – Acquisition Support/Audit: This is the phase where Tanko will assist the Town in the acquisition of its street lights from Eversource. This is the preparation phase for the audit where Tanko will work with Town staff to define priority areas in town and collect existing inventory information. Once this phase is complete, the audit will begin.

Tanko will conduct a GIS audit of the Town’s existing street light inventory and can also identify potential obstructions and other on-site challenges. It will identify the following:

- GPS coordinates (latitude, longitude) of each fixture location;
 - Fixture type;
 - Pole mounting configuration;
 - Wattage;
 - Pole height, mast arm length;
 - Pole type;
 - Badge numbers;
 - Street name and
 - Physical attributes and/or issues such as paint color, electrical hazards, tree obstructions, etc.
- They will also address any immediate safety concerns in various areas of town.

Task 2 – Lighting Design:

Lighting design now based on audit data/GIS map. Tanko generally uses and is proposing for this project a GE-brand fixture (GE Evolve Series). It is DLC listed, has 100,000 hours of life and has a 10-year warranty.

Task 3 – LED Retrofit:

- **Installation.** Tanko will hire a qualified, licensed local subcontractor to perform the installation. Depending on how many crews are available, Tanko envisions an average installation rate of between 100-200 fixtures per day or an average of 30 fixtures per day, per crew.
- **Commissioning.** Final testing and inspections
- **Rebate and tariff change coordination.** Final requirements necessary to process the available rebates and tariff changes with Eversource. This includes the GIS records for all newly-installed street lights which will include wattages, pole numbers, locations, etc.
- **Full recycling of all old materials.**

Task 4 – Maintenance:

The Town has choices. We can either maintain the lights ourselves, Tanko can maintain with 4 programs: Basic, Standard, Premium or Custom or an RFP can be drafted for outside maintenance services.

Tanko’s proposal for Thomaston is as follows, based on information provided by First Selectman Mone:

Acquisition from Eversource	=	\$114,912
Conversion to LED’s	=	\$141,964
Project Cost	=	\$256,876
Estimated Rebate	=	\$ 39,840
Total Project Cost	=	\$217,036

Return on investment (in years) = 3.90

Tanko will provide Town with draft document.

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to amend the agenda to add under “New Business/Contract for Healthcare Insurance”. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

New Business/Carnival Permits:

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve Sanford Avenue Field and Tennis Courts for the Fireman’s Carnival. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

New Business/Regional Performance Incentive Program (RPI):

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. that:

The Board of Selectmen endorse the Regional Performance Incentive Program proposal as referenced in Connecticut General Statutes Section 4-124s (2014 supplement) to “implement regional municipal property revaluation and CAMA procurement program, standardize and centralize parcel data management and hosting”;

And that the Board of Selectmen authorize the First Selectman to act on this endorsement by signing all necessary agreements and take all necessary actions related to this proposal to enter into a binding agreement with the Office of Policy and Management according to terms of the RPI grant program.

Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

New Business/Healthcare Insurance:

Numbers came back from Connecticare with an 18% increase. Went back out to bid and this time came back with 16% increase. First Selectman Mone expressed to Connecticare that he was not good with this increase either. It was rebid again and finally came down to 6.86% for one year and would not go over 12%.

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve the Town's contract for another year with Connecticare. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

Old Business/C-PACE Agreement:

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. that:

The First Selectman is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Town, to execute and deliver the C-Pace Agreement in full form for the purposes provided within said Agreement.

Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

Old Business/FY 2016-2017 Budget Reviews:

Town Hall Building/Maintenance – Heating Fuel line:

Change dollar amount requested **from \$38,381 to \$33,816** (reduction in fuel prices)

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve the reduction in line item request to \$33,816. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

Fire Protection/Repairs & Maintenance-Other:

Change dollar amount requested **from \$16,000 to \$13,400** (replace main water valve)

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve the reduction in the line item request to \$13,400. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

Highway & Streets/Gas, Diesel & Oil:

Change dollar amount requested from **\$35,000 to \$27,000** (reduction in fuel prices)

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to approve the reduction in the line item request to \$27,000. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

Board/Commission Appointments/Resignations:

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to accept the resignation of Marie Galbraith from the Opera House Commission with regrets. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to appoint George Lush to the Historical Commission replacing Val Polowy who passed away. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.

Tax Refunds:

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$55.49 to Valerie Jones, moved to Plymouth after payment. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$208.84 to Ann Dunn, moved to Waterbury after payment. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

A motion was made by Selectman Barrett, Sr. to approve the tax refund submitted by the Tax Collector in the amount of \$138.22 to Christopher Castelle, moved to Waterbury after payment. Motion was seconded by Selectman Perreault. With all in favor, motion carries.

Communications:

Public Comment – none.

A motion was made by Selectman Perreault to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Barrett, Sr. With all in favor, motion carries.