

TOWN OF DURHAM

Office of the Selectmen · Connecticut 06422

Carl N. Otte
First Selectman

Betty Wakeman
Selectwoman

Joel N. Davis
Selectman

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING November 10, 1977

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 P.M. by First Selectman, Carl N. Otte. Betty C. Wakeman and Joel N. Davis were present; Greg Curtis, Lewis Hinman, Elmer Clark, and Dave Mylchreest were also present.

As a first order of business, the assembled group, led by D. Mylchreest, discussed various facets of the proposed reconstruction of Parmelee Hill Rd. for which a \$150,000 grant is available from the EDA. Bids for the proposed construction had been opened November 4th. Mr. Mylchreest recommended the low bid of \$211,633 be accepted from King Contractors however, since it is over the allotted amount the board now has two options: 1) to try to get \$60,000 in town money to do the work from Indian Lane to Pent Rd. and 2) reduce the scope of the work to stay within the \$150,000 limit. (The town had reserved the right to do this.) The actual amount available is \$132,000; the remaining funds allow for administrative, engineering and contingency costs.

The following priorities were discussed: 1) construct all drainage 2) scarify from Indian Lane 800' to Tuttle Rd. 3) realignment and reconstruction of 500' 4) scarify and reconstruct Tuttle Rd. to Ernest Drive and David Rd. to Wildwood. Mr. Otte felt there was little choice in what it would be possible to eliminate.

Mr. Mylchreest offered the following time schedule: If the board approves the town engineer's recommendations, he will write to King Construction advising them of the awarding of the contract subject to EDA approval. (King Contr. must submit the name of their minority enterprise concern.) Mr. Mylchreest will forward to Philadelphia 1) copy of Board of Selectmen's Resolution 2) the proposed bid 3) Town Engineer's recommendations and 4) the EDA form filled out by the contractor. If no word is received in 48 hours, the town may assume acceptance. The Town Engineer then has 10 days to get certificates and bonds signed, establish date to proceed as construction must begin within 90 days. Thereafter, the town engineer can close down the job for weather conditions; he would then take a certified copy of the job payroll and sent it to the EDA certifying that the job has been started. The EDA would then send 50% of the grant to the town to use for the work.

The drainage system above Tuttle Rd. was discussed as there is a heavy runoff from Ernest Dr. which crosses under Parmelee Hill and is taken care of by a relatively adequate system at this time. Under this design we are picking up water half way down.

Those present felt strongly that priority numbers 1 & 3 must be done. Another option exists for the town: to apply to the EDA to get the money they turned down for Middlefield.

It was moved and seconded that the Consulting Engineer, David B. Mylchreest, be authorized to inform the contractor, King Contractors Limited of Bloomfield, Connecticut that they have been selected to perform the Reconstruction of Parmelee Hill Rd., Town of Durham, Connecticut, Local Public Works Program 01-51-20285 subject to submission of the required 10% Minority Business Utilization Commitment Forms and subject to approval by the Economic Development Administration. It is further stipulated that the total amount of funds available for the construction shall not, at this time, exceed \$130,000 and that the work to be done shall include the drainage system, including the conduits, catch basins, outfalls, etc.; the realignment and reconstruction of the road from approximately Station 15+50 to 28+50; and as much of the scarifying and reconstruction of Parmelee Hill Road from the beginning of the project (Station 0+00) to the vicinity of Station 8+00 that can be done within the authorized funds. 3-0

It was further moved and seconded that the First Selectman be requested to apply to the Economic Development Administration for additional funds to complete this project, in particular, those funds that the neighboring Town of Middlefield will not be using. 3-0

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written. 3-0

The weekly bills were approved and paid. 3-0

Mr. Otte reported that he went to look at the Chevron station as a possible garage site but the doors are too low to accommodate the town vehicles. He will pursue the matter of salt storage.

No answer has been received from Jake Schilling relative to fence repairs. The board's letter of October 24 to Mr. Schilling was reviewed. The board tabled action with an amendment by J. Davis that someone contact Mr. Schilling to do something with the fence. 3-0

The two imperative public hearings on the use of Anti-Recession funds (for DeTour's bill and auditor's additional fees) were discussed but Mr. Davis felt the hearings should be held after the money is received - not before.

The Board set December 12th as the date for a Special Town Meeting for the following:

- 1) commitment of Anti-Recession funds (as discussed at 2 previously-held hearings)
- 2) establishment of a Personnel Policy Bd.
- 3) firehouse question

Mr. Otte informed the upcoming Board of Selectmen about the CSEA, Inc. negotiations. He asked if they wished to retain the present town members of the negotiating team. Because there has been no money allotted in the present budget the contract will remain as is with little impact but negotiations for the contract of July 1, 1978, will begin before the budgetary process. The next meeting with CSEA, Inc. is the morning of December 12. The press queried if they were on the verge of a settlement; Mr. Otte responded that it has to be agreed on between the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance.

Mr. Otte advised the new board to meet with the town employees. He noted also that there are a few committee appointments to be made; Dr. Willett will take care of appointing an Ass't Health Director. Further remarks included:

Mr. Curtis questioned the appointments of Building Inspector and Sanitarian;

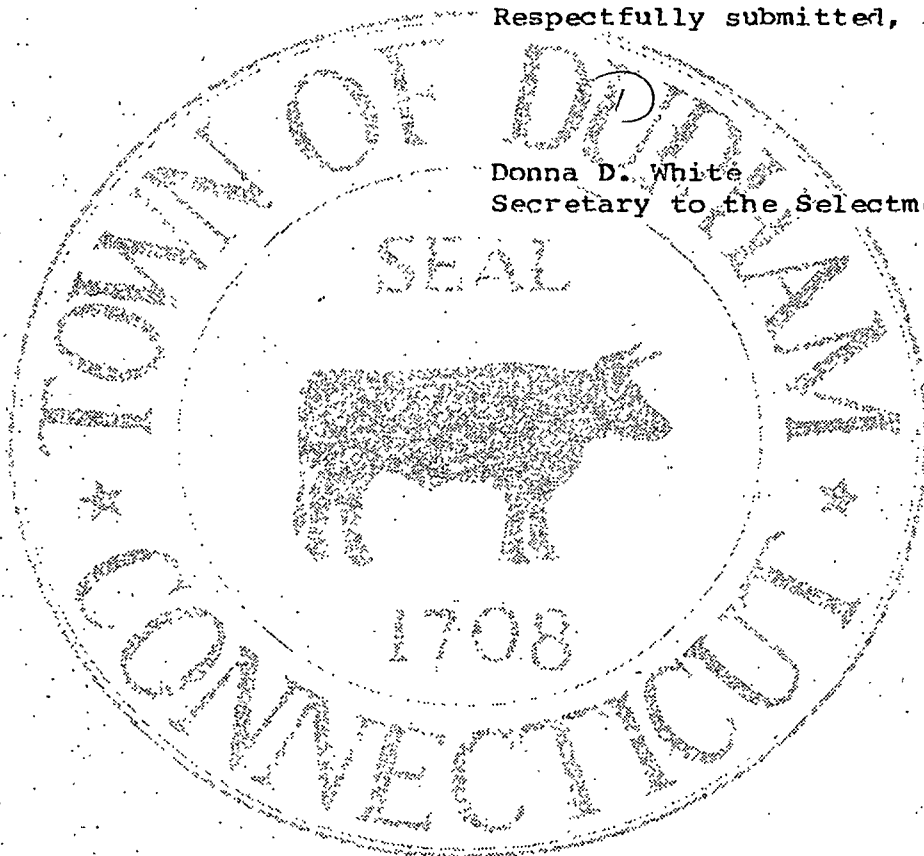
No response has been received from town counsel re Josephine Francis's letter about the Shunpike status;

Mr. Otte stated that the Library Needs Study Committee and the Town Facilities Site Committee need to be developed and organized.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna D. White
Secretary to the Selectmen



DAVID B. MYLCHREEST - CONSULTING ENGINEER

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Memo to: Mr. Carl Otte, First Selectman
Town of Durham, Connecticut

Subject: Parmelee Hill Road

I have reviewed the proposals received on November 4, 1977 for the Reconstruction of Parmelee Hill Road, Town of Durham, Connecticut, Local Public Works Program 01-51-20285. I find that all the extensions are correct, and the low bidder is King Contractors Limited, 16 Northwood Drive, Bloomfield, Connecticut. Copies of my "Project Cost Data-Contractors' Bids" are enclosed.

Since the project is substantially over the available funds, it is recommended that the scope of the project be reduced as indicated in Paragraph 2, Section G, Special Conditions. Using the King Contractors Limited unit prices, I estimate the cost of constructing the first priority (the drainage system including conduits, catch basins, outfalls and patching of pavement) to be approximately \$102,000. I estimate the cost of the second priority (scarifying and reconstruction from the beginning of the project for 800 feet) to be approximately \$19,000. I estimate the cost of the third priority (realignment and reconstruction of approximately 500 feet of road to be approximately \$19,000. I have not included the cost of the Soil Erosion Control (which would appear not to be necessary at this time) but have included the total cost of Item One, Clearing and Grubbing and the total cost of Item Sixteen, Maintenance and Protection of Traffic.

So as to stay within available funds of \$130,000 for construction, I recommend that the contractor be authorized to proceed with the construction of the first and third priorities in their entirety and as much of the second priority as the availability of funds will allow. I would further recommend

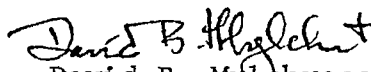
Mr. Carl Otte

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that a request be made for additional funding from the Economic Development Administration to complete the project with a particular emphasis on the money that was not used in the Town of Middlefield.

Very truly yours,


David B. Mylchreest

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cc: King Contractors Limited

Enclosures