

TOWN OF CONCORD TOWN BOARD
Work Session 6:30 p.m.

May 10, 2018

Supervisor Drake discussed the following:

1. The Town received a thank you card from the Carolyn McCarthy family.

2. Supervisor Drake asked Hwy Supt Dains to walk the Board through his new truck proposal. Hwy Supt Dains noted that the department had been struggling for a number of years with equipment. The last time the Board was so gracious, a loader, a 10-wheeler, two 550s to boost the fleet back up to something that is reliable. After this Winter, Hwy Supt Dains took a serious look after the 1999 Sterling was cleaned up and there are some structural deficiencies in the dump body that are not worth the time or the effort to repair. Hwy Supt Dains had provided the Board a written proposal which detailed that the truck was 19 years old and provided a breakdown of the depreciation was since it was new and what it is worth now (roughly) through auction. Hwy Supt Dains met with Bookkeeper Ciszak and reviewed the Equipment Reserve budget which is a little short but it could be made up in the DB Contingent to facilitate the purchase. There has been a contingent in there specifically for issues that do arise over the years. There is \$55,000. Last year \$13,000 was used. Hwy Supt Dains advised that the Town could piggyback bid another new truck which would save bidding costs, etc. A full spec package was not provided to the Board but this would be a piggyback bid through Western Star and it could be either Everest or Viking. Town of Sardinia just purchased the same package. If the Town did replace the Sterling, then the 2008 Volvo would move to the backup reserve. Over the years, the department has utilized the backup reserve when there have been breakdowns and the part-time seasonal drivers also use that.

Hwy Supt Dains is asking for the Board's support to move forward with this purchase and utilize that DB Contingent. Part of these costs would also be made up with the sale of that 1999 Sterling on Auctions International; which he believes would be between \$10,000-\$13,000. Supervisor Drake and Councilman Drozd were at the Highway Department to look at the department. Councilman Drozd had pointed out some of the same deficiencies that he had in his fleet over the years and it is just the Winter weather. Hwy Supt Dains noted that this has been a good truck for the department. A breakdown of the last five years of what has been spent on this truck and it is getting to be more than what we should be doing. Councilman Drozd feels it is right now or never. Supervisor Drake feels that there becomes a point where the Town is throwing good money after bad.

Supervisor Drake asked Hwy Supt Dains to review the Vehicle Inventory that was provided to the Board. Some of these vehicles have a Replacement Year of 2018; where does Hwy Supt Dains intend to go with those vehicles? Hwy Supt Dains noted that this Vehicle Inventory was based on 10 years. The 2015 Pick Up is in great shape; just 55,000 miles on it. With the purchase of the two 550s, Hwy Supt Dains does all the patrolling with the 550s because there is a plow/wing/sander on them. The 2015 Pick Up can be extended a few more years. The Western Star was purchased two years ago. The 2008 Volvo Dump would be moved to the backup reserve if the Town facilitate this new purchase. The 2003 Volvo 10-Wheeler is just an animal; there is nothing wrong with it; a few years ago the department took the box off the Mack and put it on the Volvo. The 2012 Peterbuilt is in good shape so that has a few more years on it. The 2015 International Single Axle is in very, very good shape. The two 550s were purchased in 2016 and are in real good shape too. The Bucket Truck is going to be in good shape for a long time.

Hwy Supt Dains stressed is that with all this high tech data, computerized emissions. That is expensive. On the last three (the Western Star and the two 550s), the Town purchased extended warranties. An extended warranty would be a viable option to purchase with this truck because a computer is needed to get into it. A towing warranty package is also available with this piggyback bid. Councilman Zittel asked if the Hwy Supt Dains is using the warranties from the previous vehicles and Hwy Supt Dains

advised that the department is using the warranties now; with the new electronics and the DEF (diesel exhaust fluid), the 550s have been up a few times. The length of the extended warranty would be seven years on the engine and chassis (includes electrical components); five years on the transmission with an extended towing included on that warranty. Hwy Supt Dains noted that anytime there is an update in the software that would be free. Councilman Snyder asked about the plan for the 2008 Volvo 2X6. This vehicle would not be replaced; it would be moved to the backup spare; the replacement of this vehicle could be pushed back. Hwy Supt Dains has been keeping physical documentation on the vehicles in 2013 including financial status information which will be helpful when it comes time to replace a vehicle.

Supervisor Drake asked if the Board had any further questions. The Board had no further questions. Supervisor Drake advised that the good news is that the Town was building a reserve but for this to happen the bad news is that this would wipe out the reserves. Hwy Supt Dains noted that this vehicle would be paid for and the Town would just have to continue on putting money back in reserves.

3. On the Agenda tonight is the Sign Up for Concert Announcers. The sign-up sheet was passed around for the Board members to complete.