

FINANCE COMMITTEE

LEWISTON, MAINE

June 19, 2006

PRESENT:

Councilor Mark Paradis, Chairman Roger Provencher, Ronald Paradis and Councilor Lillian LaFontaine O'Brien.

ABSENT: Robert Reed

Meeting was called to order at 5:16 p.m. by Chairman Roger Provencher.

On motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Mark Paradis it was

VOTED:

(56-2006) To dispense with reading of the minutes of the previous meeting dated May 22, 2006 and to accept and place them on file as submitted by the Clerk

VOTE: 4-0

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Mark Paradis , seconded by Ms. O'Brien it was

VOTED:

(57-2006) To award Bid 2006-033 on a 1 ton 4X4 Truck Chassis & Cab with a 9' service body for the Public Works Department to Auburn Motor Sales, Auburn, Maine, low bidder meeting specifications at their bid price of \$47,691.11 and to accept the trade-in allowance of \$1,000 for as well as a recommended deduct of \$600 for a net bid price of \$46,091.11.

VOTE: 4-0

The Committee considered only one bid that was received on the Rehabilitation of the Ash Street Bridge. The one proposal received from Technical Construction of Turner, Maine amounted to \$92,580 and was substantially above the estimates to perform the work. It was recommended that the bid be rejected at this time and that new proposals be solicited at a later date.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Mark Paradis , seconded by Ms. O'Brien it was

VOTED:

(58-2006) To reject the bid received from Technical Construction of Turner, Maine on Bid 2006-021 for Ash Street Bridge Rehabilitation and that proposals be solicited at a later date.

VOTE: 4-0

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 19, 2006

The Committee considered a recommendation from the Purchasing Agent to allow City staff to negotiate a price directly with Bancroft Contracting Company for the redesign and construction of Penstock Plugs at Bates Mill #1. Bancroft Contracting has successfully installed three (3) Penstock Plugs at Mill #2 and were the low bidder by \$11,100 when proposals were solicited for that project. Engineering staff and the contractor will examine the Penstocks after the canal is lowered on July 1st to determine if the work can be done at the same price.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Ron Paradis it was

VOTED:

(59-2006) To authorize the Purchasing Agent and Public Services Department to negotiate a price directly with Bancroft Contracting for the redesign and construction of Penstock Plugs at Bates Mill #1 and that the negotiated proposal be brought before the Committee for final approval.

VOTE: 4-0

The Committee received a report on the final pricing of #2 Fuel for the upcoming heating season. At the May 8th meeting, the Committee authorized the Purchasing Agent to work with C N Brown and to lock in prices at a time that was determined to be appropriate based on market conditions. The report indicated that the locked in price for the upcoming heating season was \$2.279 per gallon price with an added \$.032 for small loads. This amount was approximately 2 cents lower than the bid price received on May 2nd.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Mark Paradis it was

VOTED:

(60-2006) To accept and place on file the report from the Purchasing Agent on #2 Fuel pricing for the upcoming heating season.

VOTE: 4-0

VOTED:

To adjourn at 5:32 p.m.

Richard Metivier
Clerk
Finance Committee