

# SOMERS CEMETERY COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING 5.7.15

2PM TOWN HALL

ROLL CALL: 2:04 PM

Present: Carole Pyne – chair, George Warner, Casey Viega, Patricia Loftus. Absent: David Warner

Agenda:

## 1. Landscape contractor bid comparison

Mike Marrinaccio – CFO presented a corrected bid comparison and apologized profusely for the error. At the last meeting the bids showed a difference of about 12k over 3 years of the contract. The selection of the landscaper at that time was made on that information. Upon discovery of the inaccuracy, Mr. Marrinaccio informed the Selectmen's office and a tabling of the acceptance of the bid was handled at the last Selectmen's meeting.

New summary sheets were presented at today's meeting and a difference of approximately 30k for the 3-year length of bid was discussed. A discussion followed.

A motion was made by Patricia Loftus as follows: "The committee upon receipt of corrected analysis will send to the Board of Selectmen a recommendation of offering the three year contract to Guzi Landscaping." Motion seconded by Carole Pyne. Motion to amend by George Warner "Contract to be written for two years" was not seconded and allowed to die. Explanation: Contractors are hired "at will" and can be released at any time. No need to change contract from the RFP that had been applied for by all the respondents. Vote was unanimous to advise the Selectmen of the contractor named in the motion.

Second motion made by Patricia Loftus as follows: "A letter of thanks to be sent to Gil Vasseur for many years of extraordinary service." Motion passed unanimously.

## 2. Investment proposal:

Representatives from Morgan – Stanley were in attendance and showed an overview of how the pension committee and cemetery representatives might choose to handle the endowment fund.

Motion to adjourn at 3:46 PM made by Carole Pyne, seconded by George Warner.

Next meeting is June 10<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM and will be a presentation on columbariums by Casey Viega.

Minutes are not official until read and accepted at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Loftus

Committee secretary