

Town of Newington, NH
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 30th, 2019 Town Hall

Present: Chair Ted Connors, Selectman Ken Latchaw, Selectman Mike Marconi, Alan Gould, Municipal Resources Inc. (MRI) President, Ed Tinker, MRI Assessing Supervisor, Karen Anderson, Special Projects Coordinator and Martha Roy, Town Administrator.

T. Connors called the meeting to order at 3:30pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2020 Assessing Services:

Municipal Resources:

MRI currently performs assessing services for over 20 towns in NH. Ed Tinker is the proposed lead assessor and has worked with the Vision software before. MRI has 5 experienced supervisors that are licensed assessors and have extensive experience assessing residential, business and industrial properties.

K. Anderson pointed out that Newington changed from Universe to Vision and asked about other places that MRI has done conversions of assessing software. E. Tinker assisted in Hampton's conversion.

Newington also contracts with Sansoucy Assessing for the assessing of various utilities and industries.

In Hampton, MRI is responsible for the values of the land for the Seabrook Power Plant and was involved in the sale of the Pan Am Railroad to the State. Epping and Exeter have a lot of commercial property which they assess for those communities.

The mileage listed in the proposed contract is only around town and not traveling to and from Newington.

M. Marconi asked if MRI has experience with the assessing of waterfront parcels. A. Gould responded that they have assessed waterfront parcels in Hampton, Rye and Kittery.

K. Latchaw asked about MRI's track record on meeting deadlines. A. Gould explained that they always meet their deadlines. K. Latchaw expressed how important communication with the town residents is to the Selectmen. A. Gould explained that the employees of MRI are very polished, that is where MRI excels.

K. Latchaw inquired about MRI's response time if the town had an emergency.
A. Gould explained that E. Tinker is only 5 minutes away and can visit town hall right away.

T. Connors pointed out that Kittery's commercial property is assessed by MRI and is comparable to Newington's commercial areas.

Minutes Approval: T. Connors moved to approve the minutes of December 16th, 2019. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Manifest Approval: K. Latchaw moved to approve the manifests for \$1,376,792.08 dated 12/17/2019 and \$59,176.67 dated 12/24/19.
M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Facility Use Request:

M. Marconi moved to approve the following request.

Heather Geraci-Cole-Old Town Hall-January 18th, 2020

K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

2020 Assessing Services:

K. Latchaw asked about other town's references, communications and deadlines.
M. Roy and K. Anderson will check these once a finalist has been selected.

Bike Path Committee:

K. Latchaw moved to appoint Bruce Johnson to the Bike Path Committee. M. Marconi seconded the motion with all in favor.

Adjournment: M. Marconi moved to adjourn at 3:59pm. K. Latchaw seconded the motion with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Boy
Recorder