

DENNIS-YARMOUTH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT Minutes of a School Committee Meeting Friday, March 26, 2021

A Dennis-Yarmouth Regional School Committee meeting was held on Friday, March 26, 2021, via remote technology in accordance with the Governor of Massachusetts' March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. c. 30A, Section 20.

Members Present: Jeni Landers, Chairperson; Joseph Tierney, Vice Chairperson; James Dykeman, Jr.; Secretary; Phillip Morris, Treasurer; Joe Glynn; Jennifer Rose; Zane Fitzgerald.

Others Present: Carol Woodbury, Superintendent of Schools; Eileen Whalen, Recording Secretary to the School Committee; Chad Crittenden, PMA Consultants; Peter McNulty, Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehane.

At 5:05 p.m., Jeni Landers, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

Roll Call Attendance:

Jennifer Rose yes
James Dykeman, Jr. yes
Zane Fitzgerald yes
Phillip Morris yes
Joseph Tierney yes
Joe Glynn yes
Jeni Landers yes

School Committee Business

Discussion of School Building Committee recommendation based on new information that was received:

Mr. Tierney said that a packet had been received by a member of the school building committee which was then circulated to the rest of the school building committee. The packet contained concerning information regarding CTA Construction. Mr. Tierney told the committee that he reached out to some of the companies that were in the packet; he spoke with Craig DiCarlo at the Department of Transportation who confirmed that the information that was in the packet was accurate at the time it was submitted. Mr. Tierney told the Committee that the School Building Committee, at their March 25 meeting, voted that CTA was not a responsible bidder.

Joseph Tierney moved to rescind the contract award to CTA for the school building project, James Dykeman seconded, and discussion followed.

Phil Morris said that he read all of the information; both the original packet and CTA's rebuttal. Joe Glynn said that the school committee is the authority; the Building Committee recommends and the School Committee is the voting authority. What is to prevent another group from coming along with a packet about the next lowest bidder? He doesn't want to undermine the building committee. He feels the process is flawed. He asked Chad if a bid protest is possible.

Zane Fitzgerald finds the process very frustrating. Joe Tierney said it is difficult because you are unable to compare. He does feel we need to proceed. Chair Landers expressed her original excitement to authorize CTA only to find out from information in an anonymous packet about the failing scores and lawsuits. Chair Landers, seeing no further comments, asked for a roll call vote for the motion on the table.

James Dykeman	yes
Joe Glynn	no
Jennifer Rose	yes
Joseph Tierney	yes
Phil Morris	yes
Zane Fitzgerald	yes
Jeni Landers	yes

The motion carries 6-1.

Mr. Tierney said that the next lowest bidder is Commodore Builders. They have had no DCAMM failures in the past 5 recording years. Their score is a 96.

Joseph Tierney moved to award the contract to Commodore Builders for the Dennis-Yarmouth Intermediate Middle School as recommended by the School Building Committee; James Dykeman seconded the motion and discussion followed.

Phil Morris said that the building committee vote to award the contract to Commodore Builders was 15-0. All bidding laws were strictly followed. Commodore Builders is the next lowest bidder.

Joe Glynn said he respects the vote of his fellow school committee members, appreciates all their hard work on the building committee; and will fully support their recommendation.

Mr. Tierney read aloud a brief recommendation for Commodore Builders. Chair Landers asked if Chad Crittenden could say anything regarding Commodore; he said they have a 96 average rating, 0 failing projects, 6 legal cases, and 2 demands for payment.

Chair Landers asked for a roll call vote on the motion on the table.

James Dykeman, Jr.	yes
Joseph Tierney	yes
Zane Fitzgerald	yes
Jennifer Rose	yes
Phillip Morris	yes
Joe Glynn	yes
Jeni Landers	yes

The motion carries unanimously, 7-0.

Adjourn

At 5:47 p.m., on a motion by James Dykeman, seconded by Joe Glynn, and carried 7-0 by roll call vote it was

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Joseph Tierney	yes	Phillip Morris	yes
Zane Fitzgerald	yes	Jennifer Rose	yes
Joe Glynn	yes	Jeni Landers	yes
James Dykeman Ir	ves		

Minutes recorded and prepared by,

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