

MINUTES OF THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Town of Charlemont

September 12, 2012
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The meeting was convened at 7:05 P.M. by acting Chair David Cunningham. Vaughn Tower also attended the meeting.

1. The Board opened the one bid received in response to the advertising for the 2012 Highway Truck purchase.
2. The bid was from Keene Chrysler Dodge Jeep, Inc..
3. Mr. Cunningham read the specifications for the truck. The Highway Superintendent stated that he would like time to review the bid.
4. Bill Coli discussed the size of the truck and questioned why such a large truck is necessary.
5. Superintendent Hathaway stated that the truck size is required for sanding and plowing needs and is the truck that the Town voted to purchase.
6. Superintendent Hathaway stated that the body for this truck will come from other equipment in order to save the Town money.
7. Mr. Coli questioned if the Town followed a competitive bidding process.
8. The Highway Superintendent stated that the bid was advertised in the local paper and posted at the Town Hall.
9. Mr. Coli questioned why the Town did not receive more bid and stated that he was disappointed with the lack of responses received.
10. Brian DuPree stated that he has found like vehicles on line and questioned why the Town does not make purchases through the internet.
11. The Board unanimously voted, Mr. Cunningham – yes, Mr. Tower – yes, to accept the 2012 Highway Truck bid from Keene Chrysler Dodge Jeep, Inc., with the written deviations from the specifications, for the amount of \$45,452.00
12. The Board unanimously voted, Mr. Cunningham – yes, Mr. Tower – yes, to instruct the Highway Superintendent to move forward and purchase the equipment as he sees fit.
13. The Board received an edited letter to the Rowe Board of Selectmen supporting the Rowe students attending the Hawlemont School during the rebuilding of the Rowe School. The Board unanimously voted, Mr. Cunningham – yes, Mr. Tower – yes, to accept and sign the letter.
14. Business being concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully transcribed

Approved by:
Charlemont Board of Selectmen

Kathy A. Reynolds
Executive Secretary

Documents reviewed by the Board.
2012 Highway truck bid
Letter to the Rowe Selectmen