

TOWN OF CONSTANTIA  
**MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING - TOWN BOARD-December 12, 2016**  
2:00 pm Constantia Town Hall

Present: Kenneth Mosley – Supervisor  
Richard Colesante, John Metzger, Thomas Moran – Council Members  
Clare Haynes – Town Clerk  
Wayne Woolridge – Highway Superintendent  
Nancy Butler - Bookkeeper

Absent: Chad Whitney – Council Member

**CALL TO ORDER:**

At 2:00 pm Mr. Mosley called the special meeting of the town board to order with the pledge of allegiance.

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the possible purchase of a 2014 Gradall XL3100 Highway Wheeled Excavator for the highway department. Mr. Woolridge updated the board members present on the condition of the current 1991 Gradall that is owned by the Town. The motor is leaking oil and is currently being taken apart to see if it can be repaired, Mr. Woolridge has been looking to replace this piece of equipment. Mr. Woolridge has been in contact with Associated Supply Company, Inc. out of Lubbock, TX they have a used rental with 600 hours for sale for \$233,000.00. This year Vantage Equipment who Mr. Woolridge rents units from in the summer had 6 for sale. The town of Constantia was on the list but, the town of Hastings got the last one, it was a 2014 they paid \$240,000.00 for the machine. Mr. Woolridge was hoping to get one locally, but these machines do not come up for sale very often.

Mr. Colesante asked if it will come with any guarantee, Mr. Woolridge responded that right now Associated Supply Company is having their mechanic go thru the machine to verify all is in good working order. Mr. Woolridge is hoping to have Vantage Equipment in on the purchase as they are the local company that will be helping with repairs if a major problem develops.

Mr. Moran wondered if under any of our inter-municipal agreements, could another town use this piece of equipment. Mr. Woolridge said he would be hesitant to loan this particular piece out to another town, it takes an experienced operator.

Ms. Butler and Mr. Woolridge have reviewed the numbers, it is possible to use the Highway Fund's unreserved fund balance to pay for a down payment of \$118,000 and pay the remaining balance in February of 2018. There will be about \$600 worth of interest accrued, Mr. Woolridge will get a statement of interest from the company.

After continued discussion on financing, Mr. Colesante made the motion to authorize Mr. Wayne Woolridge Highway Superintendent to purchase the 2014 Gradall XL3100 Highway Wheeled Excavator from Associated Supply Company, Lubbock, TX for \$233,000.00 with a down payment of \$118,000.00 and the balance to be paid in February 2018, seconded by Mr. Metzger.

Carried: Moran – Yes Colesante – Yes Metzger – Yes Mosley - Yes

Discussion then turned to the sale of the 2008 and 2012 pickup trucks and a 2010 dump truck. Mr. Woolridge will be selling these at auction hopes to get about \$50,000.00 for the three of them. He is requesting permission to purchase a 2017 dump pickup truck for \$56,000.00 and a 2017 regular pickup for \$36,000.00. The money will come out of DB5130.2 Machinery Eq which will have a balance of \$95,000.00 in 2017. Mr. Woolridge would like to get them ordered because it takes 120 days for delivery. After further discussion Mr. Moran would like to wait until the regular town board meeting to approve the purchase. The board members in attendance agreed.

**OTHER TOPICS:**

Mr. Wheeler gave Mr. Mosley a print out of changes to the North Shore Water District as a result of the new EDU schedule. With the agreed upon changes there will be a difference of -3.25 edu's for the town of Constantia. Mr. Mosley was asked to get a similar breakdown from West Monroe.

Discussion on updating the bathroom and installing a kitchen at the town hall. Mrs. Haynes has gotten some prices, but unsure if they were going to be acceptable. Did not want to waste contractors' time if the board was not in agreement. The board members present were agreeable, so Mrs. Haynes will continue to get more estimates.

**ADJOURN:**

At 3:14 pm the meeting adjourned.