

CITY OF RUTLAND, VERMONT
Board of Finance Minutes
December 19, 2025

Members Present: Mayor Doenges, President Allaire, Fire Chief Lovett, Treasurer Markowski, Purchaser Magro, Commissioner Protivansky, Ted Gillen (DPW) and Tyler Dahlin. Others present attending Ken Lougee, David Kennedy, and Justin Belden from Belden Construction, Alex Arsenault and Rick DuPont representing Aldrich & Elliot, Jen Powers from Casella Construction, and Nick Goudreau representing Engineers Construction Inc.

Mayor Doenges called the Board of Finance meeting to order at 3:30PM.

ADDITIONS & DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Three items were added to the agenda:

DPW

Plumbing Services

REC

WWII Memorial

FD

Heat Pumps

APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING (11/21/2025):

Mayor Doenges asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. All were in favor and the motion passed.

BID OPENINGS (DPW):

Connor Park Storage Project: Five bids were received.

Treasurer Markowski opened the bid from Markowski and passed it to Ted Gillen who then verified all components had been received and was a complete bid. Treasurer Markowski then read the bid amount into the record:

Base Bid – \$3,697,570.01

Alternate #1 – \$673,924.75

Alternate #2 – \$445,743.25

Alternate #3 – \$363,937.00

Total Bid \$5,181,175.01

Treasurer Markowski followed the same process with the bid from Engineers Construction, Inc. with the following result:

Base Bid – \$5,055,500.00

Alternate #1 –\$ 738,500.00

Alternate #2 –\$ 720,000.00

Alternate #3 -\$357,500.00

Total Bid \$6,871,500.00

Treasurer Markowski followed the same process with the bid from Kingsbury Companies with the following result:

Base Bid – \$2,797,310.00

Alternate #1 –\$310,000.00

Alternate #2 – \$310,000.00

Alternate #3 - \$370,000.00

Total Bid \$3,787,310.00

Treasurer Markowski followed the same process with the bid from Casella Construction with the following result:

Base Bid – \$3,667,750.00

Alternate #1 –\$ 820,000.00

Alternate #2 –\$ 575,000.00

Alternate #3 - \$500,000.00

Total Bid \$5,562,750.00

Treasurer Markowski followed the same process with the bid from Belden Company with the following result:

Base Bid – \$4,063,362.00

Alternate #1 –\$990,431.26

Alternate #2 –\$519,750.00

Alternate #3 -\$617,805.00

Total Bid \$6,191,348.26

Engineer Gillen stated the bids will be reviewed by consultants Aldrich & Elliott. Mayor Doenges made a motion to refer the bids to DPW Commissioner and City Engineer. Motion passed.

Mayor Doenges stated the low bid appears to be Kingsbury Companies, LLC in the amount of \$3,787,310.00.

BID AWARDS:

DPW – Intent to award CSO Offline Storage Tank Contract #1

Engineer Gillen requested the Board of Finance authorize the Public Work commissioner to issue a Notice of Intent to Award to Fort Miller Precast Company for the contract amount of \$1,036,600.00, total bid including Bid Alternates #1 and #2. Commissioner Protivansky stated Fort Miller Company is widely known and the bid includes transportation of the product. Mayor Doenges made a motion to authorize the DPW Commissioner to issue a notice of intent to award total bid with alternates #1 and #2 to Fort Miller Company. Motion passed.

SOURCEWELL:

Manager Dahlin requested the purchase of an Aera-vator with accessories from Grassland Toro under the Sourcewell contract in the amount of \$10,247.86 that includes a \$900.00 trade – in credit for a 2001 Toro. Mayor Doenges made a motion to award the purchase of a Toro Aero-vator with accessories in the amount of \$10,247.86 to be charged to the Equipment Replacement Fund. Motion passed.

PURCHASES:

Manager Garofano reported a purchase from Ferguson Waterworks for two (2) battery powered light towers. Mr. Garofano stated Ferguson Waterworks submitted the lowest quote in the amount of \$6,066.62 and the purchase will be charged to Machinery and Equipment line. Information only.

GG:

Glock Pistol transfer

Treasurer Markowski stated she has received all appropriate paperwork for the transfer of the Glock pistol from Rutland City Police Department to Lisa Ebbighausen. Information only.

WWII Memorial

Tyler Dahlin stated he has met with the committee responsible for the fundraising for the memorial and asked how the funds collected would be held. Treasurer Markowski stated she has spoken to Superintendent Cioffi and all funds collected will run through the recreation activities account. Treasurer Markowski stated a vendor has been selected by the committee and no bid process is necessary. Information only.

Heat Pumps – FD

Chief Lovett requested authorization to purchase two (2) heat pumps from machinery and equipment line to be reimbursed by the Capital Improvement Plan at a later date. Chief Lovett stated the cost for each heat pump is approximately \$5,000.00. Treasurer Markowski stated the FD machinery and equipment line has a balance of \$22,000.00. Mayor Doenges stated the fire department capital projects total over \$500,000.00. Mayor Doenges

made a motion to authorize the purchase of two (2) heat pumps from machinery and equipment line with the intent to replace the funds with the Capital Improvement account. Motion passed.

Plumbing Services

DPW Commissioner Protivansky stated our current vendor Magee Plumbing and Heating has merged with Loshen Plumbing. Loshen will honor the current prices, but the billing will be under Loshen instead of Magee. Information only.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Magro