# TOWN OF FARMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, May 29, 2012 356 Main Street, Farmington, NH

Selectmen Members Present: Paula Proulx, Charlie King, Joan Funk, Arthur Capello and

Jim Horgan

**Town Staff Present:** Interim Town Administrator Gary Stenhouse, Animal

Control Officer Katie Koval, Police Officer Greg Gough

and Acting Police Chief Lt. Kevin Willey

**Public Present:** Rich Stanley, Charlie Doke and Stan Freeda

Chairman Charlie King opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

### 1. Public Comment:

Stan Freeda asked the Board to reconsider the vote to charge civic organizations to utilize the Recreation office because there is no other meeting area in the town where people who gather for the benefit for the town have a place to meet. It was discussed that this question should be looked at further and will be put on a future agenda for a full discussion. Rich Stanley commented that he agrees that the fee should be waived for civic minded organizations and informed the Board that the room is generally cluttered and not often cleaned as well; if the Board is going to move forward with the fee than the space should probably be kept up a little more. Gary will look into the legal aspects of waving fees for specific groups and also speak to Rick Conway, Rec. Director, to see who uses the space and for what purpose. Stan Freeda asked if the fee could be waived until a review of the decision can be made at a future Board meeting. *Jim Horgan motioned to suspend the previous motion to charge all the civic organizations to utilize the rec. center*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Paula Proulx. Discussion followed where it was noted the policy to charge was set in place prior to the most recent vote but it just wasn't completely followed. Gary recommended the Board not rescind the motion but make an expedited decision. *Motion withdrawn*.

# 2. Swearing in for Police Officers and Animal Control:

Acting Police Chief Lt. Kevin Willey explained that becoming a police officer is often the attainment of a lifetime goal and made the decision to have this public swearing. Chairman Charlie King swore in Officer Greg Gough and Animal Control Officer Katie Koval.

#### 3. Review Minutes:

A. Joan Funk motioned to accept the public minutes of May 7, 2012, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Horgan. Motion carried with all in favor.

- B. Joan Funk motioned to accept the non-public minutes of May 7, 2012 part A as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Horgan. Motion carried with all in favor.
- C. Joan Funk motioned to accept the public minutes of May 14, 2012 as amended, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Horgan. Motion carried with all in favor.
- D. Joan Funk motioned to accept the non-public minutes of May 14, 2012 as amended, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Horgan. Motion carried with all in favor

# **4. Facilities Use Request:**

A. Joan Funk motioned to grant the request for the use of the Municipal Parking lot by Troop 188 on June 16, 2012, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Horgan. Motion carried with Arthur Capello abstaining because his family is involved with the troop.

B. Joan Funk motioned to grant the request for the use of the Municipal Parking lot by the First Baptist Church on June 30 and August 18, 2012, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Horgan. Motion carried with all in favor.

# 5. Other:

- A. Jim commented that the DPW has been doing a great job with the landscaping and road work in town and Charlie agreed. Jim then commented that he would like to put the discussions of a location for a future emergency building and also the appearance and structure of the building that houses the ambulances.
- B. Arthur asked if the Board would like to discuss the community comment report on the intersection of Meetinghouse Hill Road and Ten Rod Road. Charlie agreed that there is an issue at this intersection but the Board discussed this issue previously. Gary will have Kevin Willey and Scott Hazelton review the area.
- C. Jim questioned if the two fire trucks that are being stored can be auctioned off or something so that they are not sitting, taking up space.
- D. Jim asked why a laptop for the Planning Board minute's secretary was not purchased yet and it was discussed that it was put in the budget so it should be purchased.
- E. Jim informed the Board that the fence in front of the Municipal Building should be looked at. Charlie stated the rails at Edgerly Park also need to be looked at.
- F. Gary will work on all the department head reviews over the next few weeks.

At 7:44pm, Arthur Capello motioned to go in non-public session under RSA 91A.3.II (b) and (d), 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Horgan. Roll Call – Joan Funk (yes), Paula Proulx (yes), Charlie King (yes), Jim Horgan (yes) and Arthur Capello (yes).

At 8:09pm, the Board came back into public session and Charlie announced the non-public minutes were sealed.

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At 8:40pm, the Board came back into public session and Charlie announced the non-public minutes were sealed.

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At 8:48pm, the Board came back into public session and Charlie announced the non-public minutes were sealed.

At 8:49pm, Jim Horgan motioned to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Joan Funk. Motion carried with all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,	
Brandy Sanger	
Recording Secretary	
Chairman Charlie King	Jim Horgan
Joan A. Funk	Gerald McCarthy
Paula Proulx	