# **Town of Farmington**

Board of Selectmen – Public Meeting Minutes Monday, March 10, 2014 5:30PM Non-Public 6:30PM Selectmen's Chambers 356 Main Street

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Charlie King, Chairman Paula Proulx, Vice Chairman Matt Scruton James Horgan Arthur Capello

OTHERS: TA Keith Trefethen, Chief Willey, Lt. Drury, Town Clerk Kathy Seaver, Planner Kathy Menici, Town Attorney Keriann Roman, Dennis Roseberry, Dale Sprague, Ed Leonard, Mr. & Mrs. Page, Neil Johnson, Dave Connolly, Ann Boudreau.

Meeting called to order by Chairman King @ 6:30PM

## **APPROVAL OF OUTSTANDING MUNUTES**

Tabled by the Board of Selectmen

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Residents from Meaderboro Road approached the Board about an accident that occurred with a School Bus recently and their overall displeasure of the Highway Departments attentiveness to road conditions. What was discovered in conversation was notification of crews about road conditions was lacking.

## **CEO/MOBILE HOME PARK RENEWALS**

The CEO presented paperwork to the Board with regard to the two Parks in Town. His inspection of the parks was satisfactory and his recommendation to the Board is to renew their license. *MOTION Capello second Scruton "approve renewal application for Farmington Ridge and Peaceful Pines" passed 5-0.* 

#### **HUPPE CONSERVATION EASEMENT**

Conservation Committee Chairman Connolly provided information to the Board with regard to placing the 96 acres of the Huppe Property into Conservation Easement. Property is located off of Meaderboro Road and blends nicely with other properties surrounding it already in Conservation Easement. Property will remain open for all types of Recreational Activities and the land will continue to be utilized for agriculture. *MOTION Horgan second King "approve the request for Conservation Easement to be extended to the Huppe Property" passed 5-0.* 

## WRIGHT/PIERCE RIB REVIEW

Board met with Dale & Ed Leonard to discuss various matters related to RIB Storage capacity and possible approvals of alternative sites. Memo were circulated providing options to the Board to

consider and were explained by Ed. In addition a consideration was also given to purchase a roll-off truck to transport sludge as part of the grant finding.

MOTION King second Horgan "based on the analysis on the waste collection truck the purchase of the unit makes no financial sense for the town at this time, I therefore recommend no purchase of the unit" passed 5-0.

MOTION King second Capello "investigate options for approval of lined storage units of effluent which then will be dispose of into the existing RIB already constructed" passed 5-0.

This approach will be investigated as a result of the testing and additional cost of the construction of additional RIB's that are cost prohibited based on the grant funding remaining. The intent here is to remove any discharge into the river if possible. Further the town will reached out to the Golf Course who is an abutter to the Plant, to see if they may be interested in the use of treated effluent on their grounds to reduce their use of fertilizers.

Dale also asked the Board to review three estimates for the Cleaning of Well #5. *MOTION Capello* second Horgan "approve the estimate form Layne Christensen of an amount not to exceed \$11,696 for the cleaning of Well #5 Passed 5-0.

## SEWER CAPACITY & ASSIGNED CAPACITY TO TIF DISTRICT

Board reviewed data of existing capacity and where additional capacity may be assigned for future development. The assignment of additional capacity is at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen. The purpose here was to determine if capacity exists to include the TIF District being proposed in the Route 153/11 area. It was discovered that back in 2005 sites and areas where recognized for future expansion purposes and that the Route 153/11 area was provided 50,000 GPD as part of the expansion capacity. Another issue was to determine who has to hook up as the sewer passes. Dale will review the policy in reference to the new expansion and use of capacity if the sewer was expanded to this TIF District Area. The Board felt close Annual & Semi Annual Monitoring with Sewer Capacity numbers is essential in keeping a handle on the expansion considerations. Board also spoke with Dale about the acceptance of Septage and how this needs to be monitored and modified as portions of the capacity are absorbed by new and existing rate payers of the system.

*MOTION King second Capello "five minute recess" passed 5-0 @ 8:05PM.* Came back to open session @ 8:20PM

## DRAFT NO OVERNIGHT PARKING/TOWING ORDINANCE

MOTION Capello second Horgan "conduct a Public Hearing on the approval of the Draft No Overnight Parking/Towing Ordinance as presented" passed 5-0. Parking Hearing to take place next BOS Meeting.

## **GDS CONTRACT**

MOTION Capello second Scruton "approve the GDS Contract for Computer Server Services as presented and provide the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen the authority to sign the agreement on behalf of the town" passed 5-0.

# UPDATE ON AUCTIONERING TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY

Board review the materials presented by St. Jean Auctioneers and agreed with the method recommended by the Auctioneers in breaking it down to South Side/North Side and conducting an

absolute auction and provided a 5 week lead time prior to auction. The Board will review the list and determine what restriction if any they wish to impose on these properties as they go out to auction.

#### SIGN OFF EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK CHANGES

Board tabled action and wish for the Administrator to highlight the changes prior to approval.

## WAGE ADJUSTMENTS-NON UNION EMPLOYEES

Board reviewed the materials presented by the Administrator. They wish to have FICA-Medicare-Retirement factored into the available funds to determine all costs adjustments. NOTE \$20,000 is set aside if approved for theses wage adjustments.

#### **ANY FURTHER BUSINESS**

MOTION Horgan second Capello "sell the antique fire engines to the Fire Association for \$1/ each provided that the Town has first refusal if the Association wishes to sell them, and the town could repurchase them at the price sold to the Association" passed 4-1.

MOTION King second Scruton "approve the Town Clerks search for another Part-time employee provided she advertises the open position for one week and utilizes the applications recently placed on file for other part-time positions already filled" passed 5-0.

Town will hold a Public Hearing to accept fund returned to the Town for the Health Trust.

MOTION King second Horgan "enter nonpublic session under RSA 91 A: 3 II (a) to discuss Teamsters Contract" passed 5-0. King-Proulx-Horgan-Capello-Scruton (yes) @ 9:15PM Board came out of Non Public session at 9:40PM.

# MOTION Capello second Horgan "Ratify the language items of the Agreement between Local #633 and the Town as reviewed and sign the agreement" passed 5-0.

Cost items were previously agreed to by the Board and these items will go into effect provided approval is granted at Annual Town Meeting.

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION Capello second Scruton "to adjourn" passed 5-0 @ 9:45PM.

**Respectfully Submitted** 

Keith M. Trefethen Administrator

Chairman, Charlie King

Jim Horgan

Paula Proulx

Arthur Capello

Matt Scruton