

Town of Farmington
Board of Selectmen – Public Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 28, 2014
6:30PM
Selectmen's Chambers
356 Main Street

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Charlie King
Paula Proulx
Brian St. Onge
Arthur Capello

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Matt Scruton

OTHERS: TA Keith Trefethen Lt. Drury and the General Public.
Meeting was opened @ 5:32PM

MOTION Proulx second King "enter non public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (a) to discuss status of employees" (King, Proulx, Capello, St. Onge YES) 4-0 @ 5:56PM

Non Public Session ended @ 6:051PM

Meeting called to order @ 6:06PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION Capello second St. Onge "approve minutes of April 14, 2014 as amended" passed 4-0.

MOTION Proulx second Capello "approve non public minutes of April 14, 2014 –a as amended" passed 4-0.

MOTION Capello second King "approve non public minutes of April 28, 2014 –c as amended" passed 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brandy Sanger representing the Tiger Football Boosters Club asked the Selectmen to allow Storage of Equipment of Town Property. *MOTION Capello second Proulx "have Town Administrator work with the Football Club to find a suitable location for storage" passed 4-0.*

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Request from the Conservation Commission to accept a Conservation interest in the Thompson Parcel that has 141.8 acres in Farmington. *MOTION King second Proulx "accept interest in Thompson Property as presented" passed 3-0-1.*

SIGN SARAH GREENFIELD PARK

EDC has proposed the purchase of a new sign for the Park and provided a variety of styles and costs to consider. *MOTION Capello second King "authorize the EDC to develop a sign package to be purchase with funding not to exceed \$3,500. Final review of sign prior to purchase will be reviewed by the Board of Selectmen" passed 4-0.*

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS IN DOWNTOWN AREA

Board was provided the materials on the new application from PSNH on Holiday Decorations and the fact the new rules would prohibit the Town's Christmas Lights being placed in the Downtown area. Tom DeJulio was present to provide the Town his conservation with PSNH and the fact we may receive a waiver as a result of our years of placing the lights and the fact the town would assume liability for the lights while on PSNH Poles. Some discussion also took place on some metal Christmas tress that us to hang off of poles many years ago and are in need of repair to place on poles again. Donations will be sought thru the EDC to repair and place the tress again. *MOTION King second Capello "place tree request in the PSNH Application for Lights w/EDC coordinating the collection of donations for the tree refurbishments. Passed 4-0.*

PAY ADJUSTMENTS NON-UNION PART TIMEEMPLOYEES

Administrator provided the BOS a list of adjustments to consider based on 2% adjustments in wages and placing others on the Farmington Pay Plan in the Minimum category. Some folks may not have proper certification and if they do not provide only a 2% adjustment. *MOTION Capello second St. Onge "adjust pay as presented by Town Administrator with modification recommended above" passed 3-1*

COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENTS WITH DEPARTING DEPARTMENT HEADS

Motion Proulx second Capello provide a 2% adjustment in Compensation to the Departing Police Chief and Fire Chief pay retroactive to Annual Town Meeting" passed 3-1.

CONTRACT RENEWAL FARMINGTON AREA CHILDREN'S CENTER

Board reviewed the expiring lease of the Center and discussed among themselves any known history on this property. The Board asked for Administrator to seek from the Center if there are any liens on the property, financial statement of the Center, Affirm that the Center is non-profit and statistics of folks from Farmington who have the Center provide services. Board asked that the Administrator place it back on the Agenda for further discussion by the Board for the 12th of May.

RECRUITMENT OF TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Administrator reminded the Board of the need for another Trustees so we may carry on the responsibilities of the Trustees.

APPOINTMENTS

None

ANY FURTHER BUSINESS

TA informed board of a businessman interested in parcels in the Sarah Greenfield Park. Board asked TA to place on May 12th business agenda for further discussion.

Board instructed the TA to continue working on the establishment of a meeting with the School Board, to discuss the tax impacts with the withdrawal of Middleton from the SAU.

TA mentioned starting talks about the Public Safety Building again . Board that TA discuss with Board Chairman.

Social Media draft document was shared with the BOS upon request of the Chairman. Place of May 12th meeting for further discussion.

MOTION Capello second Proulx "instruct the trustees of the trust funds to release \$8,833.92 for payment to Kevin Willey of his accumulated Sick Leave" passed 4-0.

NON PUBLIC SESSION

MOTION Capello second King “enter non public session under 91 A:3 I (b) to discuss candidates for Police Chief position and schedule interviews” passed 4-0 @ 8:59PM (King-Proulx-Capello-St. Onge YES)

MOTION Proulx second Capello “end Non Public and seal until issue is resolved” passed 4-0 @ 9:44PM

NOTE Board will be interviewing three candidates on May 19th starting @6PM

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION Capello second Proulx “to adjourn” passed 4-0 @ 9:44PM

Respectfully Submitted

Keith M. Trefethen
Administrator

Chairman, Matt Scruton

Paula Proulx

Arthur Capello

Brian St. Onge

Charlie King