

Town of Farmingdale  
Select Board Meeting Minutes  
April 4, 2018

Members Present: Jim Grant - Wayne Kilgore - Nancy Frost

Others Present: Pamela Boivin, Steve Comins, Steve Stratton, Frank Pecor and Natalie Jackson

Meeting opened by Jim Grant at 6:30 p.m. with Pledge of Allegiance.

- Nancy Frost made a motion to approve the minutes of March 21, 2018
- Wayne Kilgore second
- Vote approved 3/0
  
- Jim Grant made a motion to sign the Amended Bond for the Fire Truck under the advise of the Town Attorney. This correction was instead of payments twice a year it will be due annually in September.
- Wayne Kilgore second
- Vote approved 3/0

Natalie brought a form for sewer maintenance reporting. Natalie spoke with Marcus from MMA and explained that the more documentation that you have the better it is, for the town in the case of having to make an insurance claim or an accidental spill. After some discussion there will be minor changes to the form.

There was an estimate for \$975.00 from Excalibur to repair and adjust the cover on a manhole on Northern Ave.

- Jim Grant made a motion to accept the quote from Excalibur and to have them repair the manhole.
- Nancy Frost second
- Vote approved 3/0

*Natalie will call and advise Excalibur to start the work.*

After cleaning the Meter pit on 3/31/2018 Excalibur suggested that the meter pit be checked in weeks due to run off and melting along with the amount of sand found in the pit the last time. The Selectboard agreed to the recommendation of checking the meter pit and to go ahead and clean if it needs it. After this is done Excalibur can give the Selectboard an update and from there a decision will be made if this is something that can go back to a 2, 4 or back to the original 6 week schedule.

Jim felt that the Town of Farmingdale should put a bid out to have someone camera the sewer lines again since the last time this was done was in 2009. He felt that this may show where there is infiltration in the sewer system. Jim suggested that the town put this out to bid the same way they had done in 2009. If it is too much then maybe the town can put off for another year.

The Town will hold off on making any decisions on the architecture/engineering RFP until next week. A committee that was formed will be visiting two fire stations that were designed by the companies that the town is considering, and would like to wait until after these visits before making any decisions. The Selectboard is hoping to make a decision by 4/11 and no later than 4/18.

- Jim Grant made a motion to accept Alden Longfellow's offer and to draw up the appropriate agreement and add an addendum to his current contract for the remaining 1 year 2018/2019. This winter cleaning will be incorporated in to the next contract for fall cleaning that will be put out in 2019.
- Nancy Frost second
- Vote approved 3/0

*Jim will be writing the amendments for this contract.*

*Alden Longfellow gave an hourly rate and not a contract price because during a low snow season we may not even need them to clean them.*

- Jim Grant made a motion to draw up an agreement and add it as an addendum to Excalibur's contract for their final year of 2018/2019. Also to incorporated in the next RFP that will be going out in 2019 for a Sewer Maintenance contractor.
- Wayne Kilgore second
- Vote approved 3/0

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There was a discussion on the Gardiner Public Library and if the Town wanted to accept the offer from Gardiner to pay \$10,300.00 to join or to keep this the way they were by allowing residents to choose between Hubbard Free in Hallowell or Lithgow in Augusta. Residents in the audience mentioned that people can also go to the Maine State Library and join for free. The Selectboard decided that although they appreciate the offer they would decline the offer from the Gardiner Public Library. *Natalie will send a letter to the Gardiner Public Library.*

Jim called C. H. Stevenson and spoke with Andrew Lake. They are more than willing to proceed in the manner that we requested them to, in two weeks he will give us a firmer date, but he said on a rough guess it probably not be before July. This project should have been done two years ago and we are lucky they are still doing it for the same price.

Spirit of America and Boston Cane awards will be presented on April 18, 2018 at the Selectboard meeting.

The Selectboard will be having a special Selectboard meeting on Aril 11, 2018 for the bid opening for the Demolition and Tree Removal RFP and we may also be awarding the Architecture/Engineering RFP.

Winter maintenance Contract was discussed and will be put out to bid. This will be on the Town web site as well as MMA and in the Kennebec Journal April 7, 8 & 9. There will be a mandatory Pre-Bid on April 17, 2018 at 1:00pm. Bids will need to be in the Town Office no later than 5:00pm on April 25, 2018 and bids will be opened at a special Selectboard meeting on April 25, 2018 at 6:30pm. Bids will be awarded on May 2, 2018.

Steve Stratton informed the Selectboard of a washout on the Blaine Road and one on the Smith Road. Steve informed the Selectboard that he was in contact with E.C. Barry who gave an estimate of \$900.00 to fill the ditch in on the Blaine Road for safety issues then the town will need to figure out what needs to be done to repair this for the long term.

- Nancy Frost made a motion to go with the estimate for E.C. Barry and have them repair the Blaine Road.
- Wayne Kilgore second
- Vote approved 3/0

The Selectboard spoke with Pamela Boivin about becoming a member of the Appeals Board. After some discussion the Selectboard recommended that Pamela be appointed to the Appeals Board.

- Jim Grant made a motion to appoint Pamela Boivin to the Appeals Board.
- Nancy Frost second
- Vote approved 3/0

The Selectboard spoke with Steve Comins about becoming a member of the FRAC/Sewer Committee. After some discussion the Selectboard recommended that Steve be appointed to the FRAC/Sewer Committee.

- Wayne Kilgore made a motion to appoint Steve Comins to the FRAC/Sewer Committee.
- Nancy Frost second
- Vote approved 3/0

*Natalie will make calls to Doug Ebert and JoAnn Choate to confirm that they still would like to be a part of the FRAC/Sewer Committee.*

Public Comment: None

- Jim Grant made a motion to adjourn and reconvene next week. We are adjourned at 8:10pm.
- Wayne Kilgore second
- Vote approved 3/0

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James Grant

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Nancy Frost

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Wayne Kilgore