

Town of Farmingdale
Select Board Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2019

Members Present – Nancy Frost- Wayne Kilgore – Andy Vellani
Others Present: Rose Webster – Rick Seymour- Steve Stratton

Meeting opened by Nancy Frost at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Fire Station: Rick met with the General Contractor and they are currently a little behind on the schedule of completion of the new Fire Station. They are requesting an extension until December 15th. There was a bit of a delay in the spring due to all the rain in the spring. This will also give Rick time to go around and review everything and does a punch list of anything that needs to be addressed.

- Andy Vellani made a motion to give an extension for the completion of the new Fire Station until December 15th, 2019.
- Wayne second
- Vote approved 3/0

Flag Complaints -Rose said that she had a complaint from a couple of people regarding the flags that were on the Maine Avenue corridor are in bad shape, some are tattered, torn and very faded. They feel that they are very disgraceful and need to be removed. Wayne said that the Fire Department would work on removing them this weekend. One resident also complained that the flag at the monument should be lighted as well. The Selectboard discussed removing them for the winter; there was a discussion if this could be perceived as disrespectful. Rose will talk to the committee for the Veterans Monument and see if something could be done with a solar light.

FEMA Grant -Rose said that she received word from FEMA that the corrective action that they requested for the purchase of the RIT Kit with money that was left over from the grant after buying the air packs was all set. Initially the person doing the audit for the grant had requested more information on the purchase of a RIT Kit with the left-over funds. It was reported that Jim Owens had told the department that he checked with FEMA and this purchase would be acceptable. The person auditing the grant had placed stipulations on the bidding and purchasing policy of the Town and also questioned if the purchase was acceptable. The Selectboard worked on an acceptable purchasing policy that met the guidelines for FEMA. Upon further review with the administrator of the grant he agreed that he had discussed this purchase with Jim Owens and that the purchase was acceptable with FEMA and no further information is needed for the purchase of the RIT Kit.

LED Street Lights- Affinity is working on the street lights and will be in contact with the Town soon. Pete Coughlan did suggest that the Town not sign the purchase and sale agreement with CMP until just before Affinity was set to start the conversion. Andy asked about the CMP Proposal versus the Affinity Proposal, Rose said that Jim Grant and Pete Coughlan were very involved in the process and that perhaps Pete could meet with the Board or do a worksheet as to the savings and explanation to reason that going with the changing from CMP is a more cost effective.

Road Commissioner: Steve said that Pike should be putting the binder on Northern Avenue on Monday or Tuesday. Steve received a complaint from a resident that the culvert on Littlefield Lane by their residence was very bad and could cause problems with snow plowing. It was agreed by the Selectboard that the Town was in hopes to get through the winter and assess in the spring what funds are available to fix it. Steve said that there was a beaver problem on the Outlet Road and he had hired Tony Barry to remove the plug in the culvert and the beavers are back at it. He is in hope that they do not plug the area near culvert. Steve said that the beavers have been fairly quiet on Northern Avenue recently. Steve found a heavy duty poly bin that he feels might work well

to replace to old rusting sand bin that we are currently using. The price was \$809.00 from a place in Canada. Rose will check to see if the same one is available by a vendor in the US for the same of better price.

- Wayne Kilgore made a motion to purchase the bin.
- Andy Vellani Second
- Vote approved 3/0

Wayne Kilgore mentioned that Jim Coffin will be measuring the Town Office building and working up a draft proposal of a floor plan for the best use of the building once the Fire Department has moved into the new station.

Public Comment: None

- Nancy Frost made a motion to adjourn the meeting and with a motion that the Selectboard go into a brief Executive Session M.R.S.A § 405 6.A – for a Personnel matter at 7:38p.m.
- Wayne second
- Vote approved 3/0

Date _____

Nancy Frost

Wayne Kilgore

Andrew Vellani