

Town of Farmingdale  
Select Board Meeting Minutes  
November 14, 2018

Members Present: Jim Grant - Wayne Kilgore - Nancy Frost  
Others Present: Rose Webster – Steve Stratton – Bruce Ellis – Sam Shepard

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

- Nancy Frost made a motion to accept the corrected minutes of October 17, 2018
- Wayne Kilgore Second
- Vote approved 3/0

Jim Grant went over the State and Federal Election results for the November 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 election.

Steve Stratton said that he is okay with the repair work that was done by C.H Stevenson on the Northern Avenue project. The repair has corrected the safety issue and that in the Spring of 2019 all of that will be corrected with the paving planned for Northern Avenue.

- Jim Grant made a motion to sign the letter of agreement with C.H Stevenson that was agreed to on the Special Selectboard meeting on November 7, 2018 with C.H. Stevenson.
- Wayne Kilgore Second
- Vote approved 3/0

The Selectboard signed an agreement with C.H. Stevenson for the work completed on Northern Avenue. C.H. Stevenson will be repairing and resurfacing an area on the project and will also deduct \$5,000.00 from the total of the contract.

Rose went over the rates with USDA, they currently are at 4% and are subject to change quarterly. She spoke to Kennebec Savings and they had indicated that with the new tax laws that were implemented last year that they would not be able to match or be close to that rate. The rates with USDA will be subject to change in January of 2019. Rose had some calculations for payments, mil rates and amortization schedules for the Selectboard to review.

- Jim Grant made a motion to start the loan process with USDA and hopefully try to secure the lower interest and for a term of 20 years.
- Nancy Frost Second
- Vote approved 3/0

The A.E. Hodsdon bill was reviewed and discussed, the board decided to have Wayne review this with them on some of the payment concerns before proceeding on payment.

Steve Stratton was approached by a resident about placing a warning sign for an autistic child. The signs are \$31.90 each. Jim would like to check with the small town round table and see how other towns handle this. Jim asked Rose to check with MMA and Steve to check with Mike Eaton at the DOT to see what they think. Steve said that Randy at Dirigo Engineering was wondering if the Town is still looking to put the Heights project out to bid in the Spring. Randy is currently working on the easements needed for this project. Steve said that the cross pipe on 40 Easy Street is almost plugged again and this will

need to be one of the first projects in the spring to be done. Steve will check with EJP to see what the cost would be to slip line the culvert, if this would be a more economical way to proceed. Steve discussed issues with people pushing snow into the road, he will issue a warning, if no success he will contact the Chief Constable.

Rose said that Alden Longfellow asked for a clarification on the Catch Basin storm cleaning assistance at the request of the Road Commissioner. He wanted to know if this meant that he had to complete the work in 24 hours or if he was being given 24 to start. The discussion was that he would be given a 24-hour notice to start.

Steve received some pricing on tree removal needed on Outlet Road and Northern Avenue.

For 945 Northern Avenue -Brownies gave a price of \$2,100.00 and Capital Tree \$2,200.00. For the Outlet Road - Brownies gave a price of \$2,000.00 and Capital Tree \$1,800.00.

- Wayne Kilgore made a motion to accept the Brownies for Northern Avenue.
- Nancy Frost Second
- Vote approved 3/0
  
- Nancy Frost made a motion to accept the Capital Tree for the Outlet Road.
- Wayne Kilgore Second.
- Vote approved 3/0

The Selectboard signed two sewer abatements that were within the abatement guidelines and had been approved by the sewer committee

Public Comment:

Bruce Ellis questioned what was going on in the Northern Avenue Cemetery that here were several stakes placed throughout the cemetery and that there was a rumor that JoAnne feels that some of the lots are wrong. The Selectboard will have to meet with JoAnne to see what is going on. Joann is the Cemetery Coordinator and is in the process of reviewing what needs to be done in all the cemeteries. Rose will call JoAnn and set up a meeting with the Selectboard and will call Bruce as well.

- Jim Grant made a motion to adjourn at 7:44pm, noted that there will be a very quick special meeting next Wednesday to sign a Warrant for a Special Town Meeting on December 6, 2018 regarding the amount needed to build the new fire station.
- 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