

Town of Farmingdale
Select Board Meeting Minutes
November 27, 2018

Members Present: Jim Grant - Wayne Kilgore - Nancy Frost

Others Present: Rose Webster – Steve Stratton – Bruce Ellis – David Cyr – Andy Hendrickson – Dana Mealey and Doug Ebert.

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

- Jim Grant made a motion to accept the minutes of November 14, 2018
- Wayne Kilgore Second
- Vote approved 2/0 (Nancy had not completed reading the minutes).

Rose went over the paperwork and the meeting that she had with U.S.D.A Rural Development regarding borrowing funds for the construction of the new Fire Station. She touched on some of the requirements and timelines that will be needed for all paperwork. Rose will set up a time after the Special Town Meeting to have Bobbi Crooker and Jesse Archer of the U.S.D.A Rural Development meet with the Selectboard to go over everything. They requested that the Selectboard sign a letter that there was no intention on the Town's part to circumvent any of the requirements of U.S.D.A with completing some of the work that had been done to date.

- Jim Grant made a motion to sign the letter for U.S.D.A
- Wayne Kilgore Second
- Vote approved 3/0

David Cyr asked some questions regarding the size and design of the new Fire Station. He was wondering if there would be substantial savings by dropping the 3 bays to a 2 bay. He also wanted to know if the budget would be decreased to help with the offset. The Selectboard said that they felt that if the building was going to be done that planning for the future is important and that changing the plans to a 2 bay would not give a big change in the price. Andy Hendrickson said that he thought that a pitched roof would look a little more neighborhood friendly and make the design more pleasing to the eye.

Steve went over some of the work that is being done with trees being removed and some of the issues with some culverts and work that will need to be done in early in the spring. Still need to do research on the issue with Clark St. Place to see what can be done with the flooding issue there. Rose will have to gather the paperwork and send to the Town Attorney. Rose asked Steve to check with Mike McGee to see how they are coming with the new sand bin. There is an issue on Northern Avenue and the pavement is breaking up on outer Northern Avenue from Adams Street out. There was a discussion that the road is very heavily traveled and some of the trucks seem to be running over the limit. It was suggested that perhaps the commercial weight police should do some checking, Steve will speak to some of them to see if they will set up there once in a while and check on some of the trucks.

Jim discussed an email that Pete Coughlan sent regarding Real Term replacing street lights with LED Lights in Gardiner. Their proposal for Gardiner has an estimated 3.9-year payback. There is a substantial upfront cost, but the savings over time would be in the Town's best interest. This is something that the Town needs to keep an eye on and see if the pricing would be better if it is done along with the other surrounding Towns.

Public Comment

Bruce Ellis asked about Northern Avenue Cemetery again and what is going on there. Rose said that she will try to set a time with JoAnn to come to a meeting in the near future and will let Bruce know when she is coming.

- Jim Grant made a motion to adjourn at 7:52pm, and noted that there will be a Special Town Meeting on Thursday- December 6, 2018 regarding the amount needed to build the new fire station at the Hall-Dale High School Theatre.
- Wayne Kilgore second
- Vote approved 3/0

Date _____

James Grant

Nancy Frost

Wayne Kilgore