

Town of Farmingdale  
Select Board Meeting Minutes  
March 8, 2023

Members Present-Doug Ebert-Joseph Connors-Andrew Vellani

Other Present- Mary Andrews-Steve Stratton-Nancy Frost-Gerald Staples-Dana Mealey-Magen & CJ Spotswood  
Zoom-Cathie Whitney

Meeting opened by Doug Ebert at 6:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

The Select board approved and signed the Treasurer Warrants & Payroll Warrants #'s 33, 34, 35, 36

*Joe motioned to approved the February 8, 2022 minutes as written, Doug 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor*

*Doug motioned to approve and sign the contract for cyber security monitoring, Andy 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.*

**Doug**

- The town has had 602 tons of salt delivered, putting us well below the 800 tons that we had requested.
- Received a proposal from Dirigo Engineering to have four streets repaired, Blaine Rd, Outer Bowman, Littlefield Lane, and Ryder Rd. For Dirigo to do the planning and specs the cost is \$5000 and \$1500 for them to do the bidding.  
*Doug made the motion to accept Dirigo Engineering proposal of \$6500, Joe 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.*
- Discussed the cleaning service at the town office and fire station. It was decided to stop the cleaning service effective March 31<sup>st</sup>.  
*Doug made a motioned the staff at the town office will clean the office and the fire dept members will take care of the cleaning at the fire station, Joe 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor.*

**Joe**

- Received a call from a resident on Maple St about the road being posted and wanted to know if they could be grandfathered to not abide by the posted sign, after talking to Steve that isn't going to happen. They must follow State guidelines.

**Steve**

- All posted signs are up.
- Met with Dirigo, showed them the roads that are in need of repair. They will start on the planning and specs.
- Complaints about the streets getting narrow up in the Heights, reached out to McGee he will take care of it.
- Cross pipe on hemlock needs to be looked at this spring.

**Magen**

- Will be going through all the cemeteries this spring to see what needs to be at each and will share with the select board.

**Public Comment**

- Dana Mealey asked if the Cemetery maps stay at the town office or does the Sexton take them home, Magen responded ~when a sexton is selling lots its not uncommon for them to keep the maps with them. Her goal is to keep them in the office and make a copy for her to keep on her.
- Nancy asked why do you have to purchase three lots and not a single. Magen replied ~ it's a State requirement.

**Budget Discussion**

The total proposed request for 2023/2024 was an increase of \$162,736.18 from last year

The select board went through the department budget line by line. A couple of changes were made by the select board;


- A change to the Sexton stipend was increased from \$3500 to \$5000.
- The request for \$39,305 for street sweeping was removed reducing the highway budget by that amount

Doug motioned to accept the above changes and to put the budget into the warrant, Joe 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor.

Public Comment- None

Doug motioned to adjourn at 7:30, Joe 2<sup>nd</sup> all in favor.

Date 4-12-23

  
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Doug Ebert  
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Joseph Connors  
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Andrew Vellani

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