

Town of Farmingdale
Select Board Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2023

Members Present-Doug Ebert-Joseph Connors-Andrew Vellani
Other Present- Mary Andrews-Steve Stratton-Nancy Frost-Gerald Staples-Ike Peppard-Keith Peters
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 37, 38, 39, 40, 41

Doug motioned to approved the March 8, 2022 minutes as written, Andy 2nd, all in favor

Started the meeting off with Keith Peters requesting to buy a piece of property that was foreclosed on in Feb 2023. The property is located at 36 Peter Path, map 31-lot 40, back taxes owed is \$2,953.90.

After discussing a couple of options, Doug motioned to sell the property to Keith Peters for \$3,603.80 (which includes 2024 taxes), plus transfer tax fee, quitclaim fee and \$1.00, Andy 2nd, all in favor.

Doug

- Attended the ambulance committee meeting, Gardiner is trying to alleviate the cost of uncollectables by switching to a multi-year contract and incorporate the uncollectables into the contract. The total amount would be divided between the six communities.
- Gardiner has made good use of their ARPA money and have purchases Automated CPR Machines for all their rigs and 2 rescue trucks.
- Rail Trail Corridor is trying to figure out how to secure \$73M to expand the trail from Gardiner to Brunswick.
- The sewer meeting had some issues with a pipe breaking on upper Bowman St, Vortex is going to take care of it. There were some issues on 222 Northern Ave, we have no information from Vortex yet. We also have ongoing issues at 43 Bowman St, Vortex ran a camera from the house to the road and they found clay in the cast iron pipe. It might be the owner's responsibility and/or the town. We are waiting on Vortex to give us measurements.
- Went through the budget numbers and the available balances.

Andy

- Went to the waste water committee meeting, they talked about the budget, he doesn't believe Farmingdale will see an increase.

Steve

- All posted signs are down
- On the corner of Park & Pine Street the catch basin has opened up and needs to be replaced. We have an old contract with Brandon Ellis, can we use that and have Brandon do an emergency repair? Doug responded that he could, but don't forget about Hasson St as that still needs to be repaired.
- The cross pipe on hemlock needs to be looked at this spring, the bottom is all rusted out. CCC construction estimated the cost to dig it out will be around \$48K, Doug suggested he get a contract ready.
- Steve gave an overall cost of repairs for Ryder, Littlefield, Upper Bowman and Blaine Rd.

Natalie

- Uplift at 222 Northern Ave has been having sewer issues, Vortex ran a camera and the pipe was full of debris that shouldn't have been getting flushed. The town has an ordinance that states if someone plugs up a sewer line it is the responsibility of the owner to cover the cost.
Doug motioned to forward the bill to the owners of 222 Northern Ave, Joe 2nd all in favor.

Public Comment- None

Doug motioned to adjourn at 7:31, Joe 2nd all in favor.

Date 5/10/2023



Doug Ebert



Joseph Connors



Andrew Vellani

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