

**FARMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**Tuesday, January 13, 2015**

Vice Chairman Joshua Bell called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. with the following members present: Andrew Buckland, Stephan Bunker and Michael Fogg. Chairman Ryan Morgan was absent. Town Manager Richard Davis, Town Secretary Linda Grant, Fire Rescue Chief Terry Bell and Captain Tim Hardy, Code Enforcement Officer Steve Kaiser, Police Chief Jack Peck, Parks and Recreation Director Steve Shible and Assistant Director Matthew Foster, Budget Committee member Matthew Smith, Channel 11, and members of the press and public were also in attendance.

**ITEM 1: Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

Vice Chairman Joshua Bell led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ITEM 2: To Hold a Public Hearing on the Proposed Updated Town of Farmington Comprehensive Plan**

Vice Chairman Joshua Bell opened the Public Hearing under Item 2 at 6:31 P.M.

Richard Davis noted the draft Comprehensive Plan and synopsis of some of the changes, and explained that part of the process before this Plan can go on the Town Meeting Warrant is to hold this Public Hearing. Code Enforcement Officer Steve Kaiser explained that all of the data has been updated and the draft has been reviewed by both the Zoning Board and Planning Board. It is his opinion that the Plan is a very useful tool for anyone wishing to move to or start a business in Farmington. Mr. Kaiser reviewed some of the highlights of the Plan.

Vice Chairman Joshua Bell closed the Public Hearing under Item 2 at 6:35 P.M.

Stephan Bunker commended Steve Kaiser, his staff and the two Boards for their work on this Plan, which he feels is a great document that will be referred back to many times in the future.

**Stephan Bunker moved to accept the proposed updated Comprehensive Plan for inclusion in the Warrant for the annual Town Meeting; Andrew Buckland seconded.**

Joshua Bell pointed out an incomplete sentence in the Public Facilities and Services section of the Plan. Steve Kaiser thanked Mr. Bell for noticing the error and assured the Selectmen that he will have the error corrected.

**VOTE            AFFIRMATIVE    4            ABSENT    1            MOTION CARRIED**  
**(Ryan Morgan)**











**ITEM 9: To Discuss Other Business (Cont.)**

- A) (Cont.) Mr. Davis stated that he has forwarded the budget proposal to all of the communities in Senate District 17 that he represents on the LPC for their comment but has not heard much back yet. Andrew Buckland stated that he saw two overviews regarding the budget today that they were told could be shared and he will see if they are electronically available. If not, he will bring his copies in to be scanned. Mr. Davis stated that once the material that Representative Buckland provides the Board members is reviewed, he encourages any of them to contact him with their thoughts.
- B) Richard Davis reported that the Certified Business Friendly Community application has been revised and will be going out in the mail tomorrow.
- C) Stephan Bunker noted the selection of the Police Department's Employee of the Year, as well as the Fire Rescue Department's year-end report.

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Stephan Bunker moved to adjourn at 8:15 P.M.; Andrew Buckland seconded.**

**VOTE            AFFIRMATIVE    4            ABSENT    1            MOTION CARRIED**  
**(Ryan Morgan)**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda H. Grant.

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Stephan M. Bunker – Secretary