

FARMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

Chairman Joshua Bell called the meeting to order at 6:31 P. M. with the following members present: Stephan Bunker, Michael Fogg, and Matthew Smith. Scott Landry was unable to attend. Town Manager Richard Davis, Town Secretary Nancy Martin, and Channel 11 were also in attendance.

ITEM 1: Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

ITEM 2: To Award the bid for the Replacement of Chain Link Fencing at the Southeast Corner of Fairview Cemetery with Funding to be Taken from the Cemetery Infrastructure Reserve Account

Richard Davis reviewed the four bids received.

Michael Fogg moved to award the bid for the replacement chain link fence to Quality Fence Company at a cost of \$8,350.00 with funding to be taken from the Cemetery Infrastructure Reserve account; Matthew Smith seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Scott Landry)**

ITEM 3: To Approve a Municipal Quitclaim Deed

Richard Davis reviewed a Quitclaim Deed releasing any interest the town might have on account of undischarged liens on property of John C. Tyler, Irma J. Tyler, Tony S. Tyler, and Sherry L. Tyler located at 141 Tolman Lane, Farmington ME.

Matthew Smith moved to approve a Municipal Quitclaim Deed for 141 Tolman Lane, Farmington, ME.; Stephan Bunker seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Scott Landry)**

The Selectmen signed the Quitclaim Deed.

ITEM 4: To Approve Cemetery Lot Conveyances

Richard Davis reviewed the following Cemetery Lot Conveyances: Paul H. Mills, one (1) lot in the Fairview Cemetery; and Gary Raymond and Mary Pauline Raymond for one (1) lot in the Fairview Cemetery.

ITEM 4: To Approve Cemetery Lot Conveyances (Cont.)

Matthew Smith moved to approve the Cemetery Lot Conveyances as noted above; Stephan Bunker seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Scott Landry)

The Selectmen signed the Conveyances.

ITEM 5: To Approve the Minutes of May 28, 2019

Stephan Bunker moved to approve the minutes of May 28, 2019; Matthew Smith seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Scott Landry)

ITEM 6: To Discuss Other Business

- A)** Richard Davis stated that Fire Chief Terry Bell informed him that the grant for Public Safety Training Facility was successful and will be funded next year.
- B)** Richard Davis reviewed the results of the surplus auction held on May 18, 2019. Surplus equipment no longer used was sold for a net of \$16,325.
- C)** Richard Davis reviewed a project that the Planning Board recently approved for Bill Marceau, who is purchasing 141 High Street. Mr. Marceau had the property surveyed and there is a 12’ right-of-way to the Municipal Parking Lot. The survey indicated that part of the right-of-way is on his property and part of his property is in the right-of-way. Mr. Davis stated that Mr. Marceau approached him and proposed a land swap, similar to other swaps the Town has made. Part of the proposal is that the Town would build a sidewalk along the right-of-way, which would be a vast safety improvement since there is currently only one way out the Municipal Parking Lot in an area with heavy pedestrian traffic. Mr. Davis further stated that a land swap would require a special Town Meeting. Should the Town decide to move forward with this project, he recommended that the Town obtain fee interest in the land and own it outright, thus eliminating any liability issue(s) should someone slip and fall. Mr. Davis also stated that he has requested an estimate for a sidewalk with granite curbing from Public Works Director, Philip Hutchins, which he himself estimates, based on the Front Street Project, would cost less than \$10,000. Funding for the project is available in the Sidewalk Reserve Account. The Selectmen recommended that the discussion be continued. In the meantime, Mr. Davis will await a survey and anticipate scheduling a Special Town Meeting for this summer.
- D)** Richard Davis reviewed an invitation from the University of Maine Cooperative Extension celebrating its 100th Anniversary. The celebration will take place on July 9th from 3 - 6 P. M. at their office at 138 Pleasant Street.

ITEM 7: To Hold an Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 405.6.D to discuss the Public Works Labor Contract Negotiations with the Negotiators, Richard Davis, Philip Hutchins and Matthew Smith

Matthew Smith moved to go into Executive Session at 6:46 P. M.; Stephan Bunker seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Scott Landry)**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:24 P. M.

Matthew Smith made a motion to ratify the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Town of Farmington and Teamsters Local Union No. 340 for the Farmington Public Works Department for the period of April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2022; Michael Fogg seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Scott Landry)**

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Stephan Bunker moved to adjourn at 7:25 P. M.; Matthew Smith seconded.**

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Scott Landry)**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Nancy L. Martin.

Michael J. Fogg - Secretary