

FARMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, November 12, 2019
6:30 P.M.

Chairman Joshua Bell called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. with the following members present: Michael Fogg, Matthew Smith and Scott Landry. Stephan Bunker was unable to attend. Town Manager Richard Davis, Town Secretary Nancy Martin, Treasurer LucyAnn Cook, Acting Fire Rescue Chief Timothy A. Hardy, Captain Timothy D. Hardy, Deputy Chief Clyde Ross, Deputy Police Chief Shane Cote, Public Works Director Phil Hutchins, and members of the press and public 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 Hold Public Hearings on the Following Applications for Marijuana Businesses:

- **Jacob Angelakis/Biome LLC 19-MJ-02**
Adult Use Marijuana Store, Cultivation, Manufacturing
105 Bridge Street U29-002
- **Chad Crandall 19-MJ-08**
Adult Use Cultivation Facility
Webster Road R04-020
- **Lucas Sirois/Lakemont LLC 19-MJ-09**
Adult Use Marijuana Store
118 Knowlton Corner Road U37-001-A

Chairman Joshua Bell opened the Public Hearing for Jacob Angelakis/Biome LLC 19-MJ-02 at 6:31 P.M.

Richard Davis gave an overview of the applications for the marijuana businesses.

Chairman Joshua Bell closed the Public Hearing for Jacob Angelakis/Biome LLC 19-MJ-02 at 6:35 P.M.

Matthew Smith moved to approve the application for Jacob Angelakis/Biome LLC 19-MJ-02; Scott Landry seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

Chairman Joshua Bell opened the Public Hearing for Chad Crandall, 19-MJ-08 at 6:37 P.M.

Chairman Joshua Bell closed the Public Hearing for Chad Crandall, 19-MJ-08 at 6:37 P.M.

ITEM 2: To Hold Public Hearings on the Following Applications for Marijuana Businesses: (continued)

Matthew Smith moved to approve the application for Chad Crandall, 19-MJ-08; Scott Landry seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

Chairman Joshua Bell opened the Public Hearing for Lucas Sirois/Lakemont LLC 19-MJ-09 at 6:39 P.M.

Chairman Joshua Bell closed the Public Hearing for Lucas Sirois/Lakemont LLC 19-MJ-09 at 6:39 P.M.

Matthew Smith moved to approve the application for Lucas Sirois/Lakemont LLC 19-MJ-09; Scott Landry seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

ITEM 3: To Write Off as Uncollectible Personal Property Taxes in the Total Amount of \$2,986.50

Richard Davis provided the summary of taxes that Treasurer LucyAnn Cook is requesting be written off. LucyAnn Cook was present and reviewed the summary of taxes.

Matthew Smith moved to write off as uncollectible personal property taxes in the total amount of \$2,986.50; Michael Fogg seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

ITEM 4: To Execute *Declarations of Action to be Brought in the Name of the Municipality* to Collect Personal Property Taxes

Richard Davis reviewed the Declarations of Action form.
 LucyAnn Cook stated that she has met with an attorney and reviewed the small claims court actions.

Michael Fogg moved to authorize the Tax Collector, through the Town Attorney, to proceed to small claims court to collect delinquent personal property taxes owed by twenty-eight (28) businesses; Matthew Smith seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

The Selectmen signed the Declarations of Action.

ITEM 5: To Award the bid for a new Rescue Pumper

Richard Davis provided and reviewed the bid from Minuteman Fire & Rescue Apparatus, Inc. Captain Tim Hardy was present and answered the Selectmen's questions.

Scott Landry moved to award the bid in the amount of \$806,476 for the rescue pumper to Minuteman Fire & Rescue Apparatus, Inc.; Michael Fogg seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

ITEM 6: To Accept a \$19,050 Homeland Security Grant to Purchase a Battery-operated Combination Tool and Cutter

Richard Davis provided a memo from Captain Timothy D. Hardy requesting the Town accept the Homeland Security Grant. Captain Hardy was present and explained that the battery-operated combination tool and cutter would allow the Fire Rescue Department to perform extrications and rescues from remote areas not accessible by the large apparatus. Captain Hardy stated that this new equipment will enhance our current rescue unit's capabilities of heavy extrication tools, airbags, rope rescue equipment, and water rescue equipment.

Matthew Smith moved to accept a \$19,050, Homeland Security Grant to purchase a battery operated combination tool and cutter; Michael Fogg seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

ITEM 7: To Authorize the Expenditure of Unallocated Fire Equipment Reserve Account funds for Repairs to Tower 3

Richard Davis stated that the radiator in the tower needs to be replaced. Acting Fire Rescue Chief Timothy A. Hardy was present and stated that the radiator cost \$3,800 with additional fees for 15 hours of labor, which brings the estimated cost to approximately \$6,000.

Matthew Smith moved to authorize the expenditure of unallocated Fire Equipment Reserve Account funds for repairs to Tower 3; Scott Landry seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

ITEM 8: To Accept a \$1,500 Grant from Wal-Mart to Purchase Equipment and set up the Police Truck

Richard Davis provided and reviewed an email dated October 06, 2019 from Deputy Chief of Police Shane Cote. Greg Patterson, Wal-Mart Manager, approached our Police Department and advised that he had set aside some community funding for the Police Department, and asked that we apply for the funds through the Wal-Mart Foundation.

Item 11: To Authorize the Purchase of a new Wacker Neuson WL32 High Flow Wheel Loader (continued)

Scott Landry moved to approve the purchase of the Wacker Neuson WL32 High Flow Wheel Loader for \$78,995; Matthew Smith seconded.

Joshua Bell expressed his concern that the equipment did not go through the bid process.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 3 OPPOSED 1 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Joshua Bell) (Stephan Bunker)**

ITEM 12: To Authorize the Manager to Enter into a Three (3) Year Agreement with Archie's, Inc. for Recycling Service

Richard Davis provided and reviewed a three year agreement with Archie's, Inc. Mr. Davis stated that the agreement becomes effective on April 1, 2020.

Matthew Smith moved to authorize the Manager to enter into a three (3) year agreement with Archie's, Inc. for recycling service; Michael Fogg seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)**

ITEM 13: To Consider Forming a Committee to Explore Options for Replacing the WW II Honor Roll at Meetinghouse Park

Richard Davis reviewed a letter from Kent Wiles, Director of Wiles Remembrance Centers. Mr. Wiles recommended a committee be formed to offer guidance on the replacement of the Farmington Honor Roll memorial. Matthew Smith volunteered to spearhead the formation of the committee and pursue potential members.

There was a consensus to pursue the formation of a committee to explore options for replacing the WWII Honor Roll at Meeting House Park.

ITEM 14: To Consider an Expenditure of \$355.50 for a full color ad in the Winter 2020 Kennebec & Androscoggin River Valley Regional Edition of Discover Maine Magazine, to be funded from the Special Projects Account

Richard Davis provided a copy of a prior ad that the Town placed in the Discover Maine Magazine. Richard Davis stated that the account balance is \$541.00.

Matthew Smith moved to approve an expenditure of \$355.50 for a full color ad in the Winter 2020 Kennebec & Androscoggin River Valley Regional Edition of Discover Maine at Magazine, to be funded from the Special Projects Account; Scott Landry seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)**

ITEM 15: To Approve the Minutes of October 22, 2019

Matthew Smith moved to approve the minutes of October 22, 2019; Scott Landry seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

ITEM 16: To Discuss Other Business

- A. Richard Davis stated that Matthew Foster, Director of Parks and Recreation hired Paris Duhamel as Assistant Parks and Recreation Director.
- B. Matthew Smith thanked everyone for supporting the Veterans at the Veterans Day events.
- C. Michael Fogg stated that he attended the dedication of the Fisher House, a place where veteran's families receive free lodging and meals while the veteran is treated at the Togus VA Health Care Center.

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Scott Landry moved to adjourn at 7:38 P.M.; Matthew Smith seconded.**

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Stephan Bunker)

Minutes respectfully submitted by Nancy L. Martin.

Michael J. Fogg - Secretary