

FARMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

6:30 P.M.

The conduct of the meeting will include remote access by telephonic, video, and electronic means. The public may attend in person or by viewing the livestream at <http://mtbluetv.org/program-live-stream-farmington-selectmen.html> or Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MBTV11/> and/or calling 778-6538

Chairman Matthew Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. with the following members present: Stephan Bunker, Michael Fogg, Joshua Bell, and Scott Landry. Town Manager Richard Davis, Incoming Town Manager Christian Waller, Town Secretary Nancy Martin, Public Works Director Philip Hutchins, Police Chief Kenneth Charles, Board of Appeals and Board of Assessment Review Member Dennis O'Neal, Mt. Blue TV camera operator Tom Martin, and members of the press and public were also present. Members of the press and public participated remotely.

ITEM 1: Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

ITEM 2: To Welcome Incoming Town Manager Christian H. Waller

Chairman Matthew Smith introduced incoming Town Manager Christian Waller and presented him with a nameplate. Mr. Waller stated that he appreciates being here and is excited to be in Farmington. He looks forward to serving the Town. Richard Davis indicated that he has worked with Mr. Waller for the past couple of days, and he will do a great job. Mr. Davis proclaimed that the Town is in good hands.

ITEM 3: To Hold a Public Hearing and vote on a new Application for a Lunch Wagon Permit for Street Eats, Owned and Operated by Jeremy Donovan of Chesterville at Various Locations

Richard Davis reviewed the application for the Lunch Wagon Permit for the Street Eats food truck owned and operated by Jeremy Donovan of Chesterville, located at various locations.

Chairman Matthew Smith opened the Public Hearing under Item 3 at 6:31 P. M.

There were no public comments. Jeremy Donovan was present and answered the Selectmen's questions. Street Eats Food Truck offers various Asian Fusion foods: Street Gyoza Dumplings, Steamed BAO Buns, Street Fries, Bang Bang Shrimp Rolls and Bowls, Banh Mi, Pho Bowls, and Salads. Street Eats Food Truck will operate Tuesday through Sunday from various locations, including Tumbledown Brewery, Blue Sky Dispensary, and Route 4. Mr. Donovan stated that the hours of operations would generally be noon to 7:00 P. M.; however, he will adjust the daily hours based on demand. The Street Eats food truck also caters private events.

Chairman Matthew Smith closed the Public Hearing under Item 3 at 6:32 P. M.

Joshua Bell moved to approve the application for a Lunch Wagon Permit for Street Eats, owned and operated by Jeremy Donovan of Chesterville; Scott Landry seconded.

VOTE

AFFIRMATIVE 5

MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 6: To Award the bid for a New Front-end Loader with Funding from the Public Works Equipment Reserve Account (continued)

Joshua Bell moved to award the bid for a front-end loader to Nortrax for \$185,562; Michael Fogg seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 7: To authorize the Sale of the Surplus 1996 Volvo L90C Front-end Loader and Apply the Proceeds to the Public Works Equipment Reserve Account

Richard Davis reported that the Town received a fair offer for the 1996 Volvo L90C front-end loader; the offer is equal to trade-in value. Mr. Davis asked if the Selectmen would like to accept the offer or request bids on the item. In response to Stephan Bunker's question, Mr. Davis stated that the Town has wide latitude for liquidating surplus property. We have held auctions before and liquidated equipment, but we do not have enough items for an auction at this time. Scott Landry asked what the front-end loader was worth? Phil Hutchins responded that with 21,000 hours usage, \$15,000 is a fair offer.

Scott Landry moved to authorize the sale of the surplus 1996 Volvo L90C Front-end Loader and apply the proceeds to the Public Works Equipment Reserve Account; Michael Fogg seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 8: To authorize the Purchase of a new Dump Body with Funding from the Public Works Equipment Reserve Account

Richard Davis provided a memo and photographs dated August 19, 2021, from Public Works Director Philip Hutchins. The memorandum included a sales quote from HP Fairfield to install a new Everest 13' side dump body with 36" sides, 50" air-operated tailgate, driver's side fold-up ladder, and a shovel holder for a cost of \$30,990. The Tarco dump body on the 2013 Freightliner chassis and cab has lost structural integrity due to corrosion. The Public Works Department currently owns six (6) plow trucks with Everest dump bodies that have not experienced the level of decline that the Tarco body has. The Tarco body is eight years old and heavily rusted, while the oldest Everest body, which is fourteen (14) years old, is in good condition.

Scott Landry moved to authorize the purchase of a new Everest dump body for \$30,990 with funding from the Public Works Equipment Reserve Account; Joshua Bell seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 9: To Authorize the Police Chief to Enter into an Agreement with the Franklin County Agricultural Society to Provide Police Services for the week of the Farmington Fair, with the Amount to be Determined at the time of Billing

Chief Ken Charles reported that the \$12,240 is for approximately three hundred six (306) hours

ITEM 9: To Authorize the Police Chief to Enter into an Agreement with the Franklin County Agricultural Society to Provide Police Services for the week of the Farmington Fair, with the Amount to be Determined at the time of Billing (continued)

needed for the week of police services at the Farmington Fair.

Michael Fogg moved to authorize the Police Chief to enter into an agreement with the Franklin County Agricultural Society to provide Police services for the week of the Farmington Fair; Joshua Bell seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 10: To Execute Certificates of Settlement for all years of Real and Personal Property Taxes Committed for Collection to Richard P. Davis, pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 763

Richard Davis reviewed ten (10) Certificates of Settlement for 2011 through 2020, totaling \$205,476.81. The taxes are to be recommitted for collection to incoming Town Manager Christian H. Waller.

Scott Landry moved to execute Certificates of Settlement for all years of real and personal property taxes committed for collection to Richard P. Davis, pursuant to 36 M.R.S. § 763; Stephan Bunker seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

Joshua Bell moved to execute Certificates of Recommitment for all years of real and personal property taxes for collection to Christian H. Waller; Scott Landry seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

The Selectmen signed the Certificates of Settlement and the Certificates of Recommitment.

ITEM 11: To Adopt a Resolution Designating the Financial Institution and Authorized Agents

Richard Davis reviewed the TD Bank Governmental Entity Certificate of Resolution (for Deposit Accounts).

Scott Landry moved to adopt a resolution designating the financial institute and authorized agents; Stephan Bunker seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 12: To Consent to an Application for a License to Operate Beano/Bingo or a Game of Chance at the Farmington Fairgrounds for Sports Projects, Inc. of Lewiston

Richard Davis stated that these are annual applications, and the owner typically donates \$500 of

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the proceeds to the Parks and Recreation Department.

Joshua Bell moved to approve (2) applications for Licenses to Operate Games of Chance at the Farmington Fairgrounds for Sports Projects, Inc. of Lewiston, Maine; Stephan Bunker seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

The Selectmen signed two originals.

ITEM 13: To Authorize the Town Clerk to Approve Liquor Licenses and Pole Permits that do not Require Board Approval

Richard Davis stated that the Town Clerk would approve renewals of liquor licenses; new licenses would still be subject to Board of Selectmen approval. Pole permits routinely come in from Central Maine Power (CMP) and Consolidated Communications. Any pole permit that required a hearing would come before the Board of Selectmen. Stephan Bunker asked if troubled licensee renewals would be brought before the Board for consideration. Mr. Davis confirmed that any licensee with issues would be brought before the Board. He stated that public hearings were conducted to address past licensee issues.

Stephan Bunker moved to authorize the Town Clerk to approve Liquor Licenses and Pole Permits that do not require board approval; Michael Fogg seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 14: To Approve the Minutes of August 10, 2021

Scott Landry moved to approve the Minutes of August 10, 2021; Joshua Bell seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED

ITEM 15: To Discuss Other Business

A) In recognition and gratitude for his twenty years of service to Town of Farmington, Scott Landry presented Richard Davis with a Maine State flag flown over the State Capital. Mr. Landry presented and read aloud the following honor to Mr. Davis: "In accordance with House Rule 519 and Joint Rule 213, the following items: Special Sentiment (HLS 343). Richard Davis, of Wilton, who is retiring as Farmington Town Manager after 20 years of service. Before working in Farmington, Mr. Davis was the manager in Wilton for over 13 years and also served 4 years in Buckfield. He has twice been awarded the Linc Stackpole

