

ITEM 3: To Consider a Request for a Donation to Support the 2015 Summer Fest (Cont.)

Andrew Buckland moved to approve a donation to the 2015 Summer Fest in the amount of \$250; Michael Fogg seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 3 OPPOSED 1 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Matthew Smith) (Joshua Bell)**

ITEM 4: To Award the bid for Street Striping

Richard Davis reviewed the bid tabulation and recommended that the bid be awarded to Lucas Striping, LLC of Sidney, Maine as low bidder for the total amount of \$12,981.26. Mr. Davis reported that the amount budgeted for this item is \$20,000.00 so there is sufficient funding to accomplish this. Mr. Davis also reviewed the bid specifications versus the striping accomplished by the Public Works staff.

Michael Fogg moved to award the bid for street striping to Lucas Striping, LLC of Sidney, Maine for the total amount of \$12,981.26; Andrew Buckland seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Joshua Bell)**

ITEM 5: To Consider the Recommendations of the Downtown T.I.F. Advisory Committee regarding Engineering Design and “Slum and Blight” Designation in West Farmington to Potentially Leverage Community Development Block Grant Funds

Richard Davis reviewed the four bids received in response to the RFP sent out for the engineering design for proposed projects in the Downtown TIF District, which included Front Street improvements and similar improvements in West Farmington. Mr. Davis reported that after reviewing the bids the Downtown TIF Committee is strongly recommending, due to the lack of sufficient funds in the TIF Reserve account, that the Town defer award of a bid for engineering design until further funding is available to do the design and a project at the same time. The Committee is also recommending that, in the meantime, the Town work with the Department of Economic and Community Development to apply for the “Slum and Blight” designation in West Farmington, which would allow the Town to be eligible for Community Development Block Grant funding. The Town is not currently eligible for such grants due to a change in the survey which resulted in the Town being above the low to moderate income levels. Mr. Davis explained that the “Slum and Blight” designation pertains to the appearance of the facilities being looked at to be improved, and since a considerable amount of research is necessary for this application process, and a Town Meeting is required before designation will be considered, the timeframe doesn’t allow for completion of everything this year. The Selectmen requested that more information be provided for their consideration.

ITEM 10: To Hold an Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 405.6.C to discuss the Acquisition of Real or Personal Property Permanently Attached to Real Property or Interests Therein

Michael Fogg moved to go into Executive Session at 7:05 P.M.; Andrew Buckland seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Joshua Bell)**

The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:58 P.M.

Matthew Smith moved to sign an option to purchase the property located at 112 Church Street, Map U-15 Lot 84 of the Town of Farmington Tax Maps for the purpose of removing the existing structure and constructing a parking lot, said purpose to be accomplished with funding from the Downtown T.I.F. Reserve Account; Andrew Buckland seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Joshua Bell)**

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Matthew Smith moved to adjourn at 8:02 P.M.; Andrew Buckland seconded.**

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Joshua Bell)**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda H. Grant.

Andrew R. Buckland - Secretary