

FARMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, July 26, 2016

Chairman Joshua Bell called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. with the following members present: Stephan Bunker, Andrew Buckland and Michael Fogg. Matthew Smith was unable to attend. Town Manager Richard Davis, Town Secretary Linda Grant, Town Clerk Leanne Dickey, Planning Board members Lloyd Smith and Jeffrey Wright, Fire Rescue Deputy Chief Clyde Ross, Planning Assistant Cindy Gelinias, Channel 11 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 Consider Changing the Polling Times for RSU #9 Budget Referendums

Richard Davis reviewed the vote taken by the Selectmen on June 11, 2013, which established the voting hours of 12:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. He also reviewed the polling times that Town Clerk Leanne Dickey obtained from the clerks of the other towns in the district. The Selectmen discussed their concerns regarding voter accommodation and cost. Town Clerk Leanne Dickey was present and explained that the school budget vote now coincides with the State elections in June each year, with much longer polling hours dictated by the State. This shouldn't be confused with the polling hours set for any additional school budget votes. Ms. Dickey also pointed out that absentee ballots are available for those who cannot make it to the polls during the designated hours.

Stephan Bunker moved to set the hours of 12:00-7:00 P.M. for any polling outside of those that coincide with the general election; Andrew Buckland seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Matthew Smith)**

ITEM 3: To Determine the fee for Lunch Wagon Permits

Richard Davis reviewed Chapter 6 Licenses of the current regulations for Innkeepers, Victualers, Tavern Keepers and Lunch Wagons, as well as the results of the survey he took of similar sized towns. The Selectmen discussed the current fees and feasibility of an increase.

ITEM 3: To Determine the fee for Lunch Wagon Permits (Cont.)

Michael Fogg moved that the fee for Lunch Wagon Permits remain the same at \$20.00 plus the cost of advertising for a new application, and \$12.00 plus the cost of advertising for a renewal application; Andrew Buckland seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Matthew Smith)**

ITEM 4: To Approve a Municipal Quitclaim Deed

Richard Davis stated that this Quitclaim Deed is the same one that the Selectmen approved and signed at the July 12th Selectmen’s meeting but the Deed was inadvertently destroyed.

Stephan Bunker moved to approve a Municipal Quitclaim Deed for the owners of the property at 144 Court Street, John Rosenwald and Ann Arbor; Michael Fogg seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Matthew Smith)**

Chairman Joshua Bell turned the meeting over to Town Clerk Leanne Dickey at 6:58 p.m.

ITEM 5: To Hold a Special Town Meeting pursuant to a Warrant Approved on July 12, 2016 (7:00 p.m.)

Town Clerk Leanne Dickey opened the Special Town Meeting under Item 5 at 7:00 P.M. and called for nominations for moderator under Article First. Paul Mills was declared and sworn in as moderator after receiving the nomination and second, as well as three written ballots.

Article Second was approved by a show of hands after a brief discussion.

The Special Town Meeting was adjourned at 7:22 P.M.

ITEM 6: To Approve the Minutes of July 12, 2016

Michael Fogg moved to approve the minutes of July 12, 2016; Stephan Bunker seconded.

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Matthew Smith)**

ITEM 7: To Discuss Other Business

- A) Richard Davis reported that he is going to be requesting a change order for the Church Street parking lot for the installation of conduit for two (2) decorative street lights in the parking lot, matching those that were installed on Cony Street. Once the house was removed it became apparent that the northwest corner is very dark. Mr. Davis noted that now is the time to install the conduit so that the new pavement doesn't need to be torn up at a later time. He also noted that the cost for the installation, which he estimates at \$3,000.00, will be far less than the savings that have already been realized by changing the curbing from granite to concrete, as well as the salvage materials earnings. The engineer will be working with Central Maine Power to determine the location of the two (2) lights on the west side of the lot so that they will presumably be able to tie into the existing system on Cony Street. Mr. Davis stated that he will come back to the Selectmen once the installation cost has been determined, said cost to be taken from the Downton TIF.
- B) Richard Davis asked the Selectmen to consider cancelling the August 9, 2016 Selectmen's meeting as he will be out of town the entire week before and presently there are no Items on the agenda. He pointed out that if anything transpires in the meantime Town Secretary Linda Grant can always schedule a meeting.

Andrew Buckland moved to cancel the August 9, 2016 Selectmen's meeting; Stephan Bunker seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Matthew Smith)

- C) Stephan Bunker pointed out that the Selectmen and Town Manager will be receiving invitations to the September Maine Municipal Association Executive Committee reception in Farmington and asked them to please be sure to RSVP in a timely fashion.
- D) Joshua Bell complimented the SummerFest Committee on another successful event.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Stephan Bunker moved to adjourn at 7:28 P.M.; Andrew Buckland seconded.

VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 ABSENT 1 MOTION CARRIED
(Matthew Smith)

Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda H. Grant.

Andrew R. Buckland - Secretary