

**FARMINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**Tuesday, October 25, 2022**  
**6:30 P.M.**

The conduct of the meeting included remote access by telephone, video, and electronic means. The public could attend in person or by viewing the live stream at <http://mtbluetv.org/program-live-stream-farmington-selectmen.html> or Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MBTV11/>.

Chairman Matthew Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. with the following members present: Stephan Bunker, Joshua Bell, Scott Landry, and Byron Staples. Town Manager Christian Waller, Executive Assistant Nancy Martin, Fire Chief Timothy D. Hardy, FRD Captain Terry Bell, Sr., FRD Deputy Chief Timothy A. Hardy, FRD Deputy Chief Clyde S. Ross, FRD Lt. Jonathan Alexander, FRD Captain Scott R. Baxter, FRD Firefighter Lance T. Comeau, Firefighter Evan Dorr, FRD Lt. Joseph A. Hastings, Firefighter Stanley E. Wilcox, Public Works Director Phil Hutchins, Public Works Assistant Director Leia Durrell, Interim Deputy Town Clerk/Counter Clerk Amanda Wheeler, Interim Deputy Town Clerk Twila Lycette, MBTV Camera Operator Kai Strine, and members of the press and public were also present. Members of the press and public participated remotely as authorized by PL 209, c.617.

**ITEM 1: Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**ITEM 2: To Hold a Public Hearing and vote on a new application for a Lunch Wagon Permit for Ace's Hotspot owned and operated by Michael S. McNamara**

Chairman Matthew Smith opened the Public Hearing under Item 2 at 6:31 P.M.

Mr. McNamara was not in attendance.

Chairman Smith closed the Public Hearing under Item 2 at 6:31 P.M.

A member of the public declared a point of order; the application states: A new application does require attendance at the scheduled hearing, and if there is no one in attendance at the hearing, the license will be tabled.

**Joshua Bell moved to table the new applications for a lunch wagon permit for Ace's Hotspot, owned and operated by Michael S. McNamara; Scott Landry seconded.**

**VOTE            AFFIRMATIVE    5    MOTION CARRIED**

**ITEM 3: To award the bid for the replacement of Engine 2**

Fire Chief Timothy D. Hardy provided a memo to the Board dated October 20, 2022. The Fire Department solicited bids for the replacement of Engine 2; Allegiance Fire &



**ITEM 5: To approve an Expenditure of \$30,930.00 from the Public Works Capital Equipment Reserve Account SX-7960 to purchase a 60kw standby generator from Milton Cat (continued)**

Generator. The balance in the Public Works Equipment Reserve Account is \$294,546.41. If the Board approves the purchase, the new balance will be \$263,616.41. Public Works currently does not own a generator. Last winter, they lost power and could not get one of the plow trucks out of the garage. Mr. Hutchins answered the Selectmen's questions.

**Stephan Bunker moved to approve an Expenditure of \$30,930.00 from the Public Works Capital Equipment Reserve Account SX-7960 to purchase a 60kw standby generator from Milton Cat; Scott Landry seconded.**

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED**

**ITEM 6: To Consider an Expenditure of \$395 for a full-color ad in the Winter 2023 Kennebec & Androscoggin River Valley Regional Edition of Discover Maine Magazine, to be funded from the Special Projects Account**

Christian Waller reviewed an October 11, 2022, email from Discover Magazine. He provided a full-color copy of the advertisement appearing in the winter publication.

**Stephan Bunker moved to approve an expenditure of \$395 for a full-color ad in the Winter 2023 Kennebec & Androscoggin River Valley Regional Edition of Discover Maine Magazine, to be funded from the Special Projects Account; Scott Landry seconded.**

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 4 Opposed 1 MOTION CARRIED  
(Bell)**

**ITEM 7: To Approve the Minutes of October 11, 2022**

**Scott Landry moved to approve the minutes of October 11, 2022; Joshua Bell seconded.**

**VOTE AFFIRMATIVE 5 MOTION CARRIED**

**ITEM 8: To Discuss Other Business**

A.) Christian Waller introduced retired Town Clerk Twila Lycette and asked that she be appointed as Interim Deputy Town Clerk, Interim Deputy Registrar of Voters, and Interim Warden. Ms. Lycette served as the Town Clerk in Lisbon for 35 years. Matthew Smith thanked Ms. Lycette for her willingness to come on board and help the Town.

**ITEM 8: To Discuss Other Business (continued)**

**Stephan Bunker moved to appoint Twila D. Lycette as Interim Deputy Town Clerk, Interim Deputy Registrar of Voters, and Interim Warden; Scott Landry seconded.**

**VOTE                      AFFIRMATIVE      5                      MOTION CARRIED**

**B.)** Stephan Bunker said he recently toured and received a progress update on Walton’s Mill Park area. Tomorrow they will start hot topping the entrance areas. Undoubtedly, more landscaping work will be completed by the end of November. What they’ve accomplished thus far is impressive. Due to the lateness of the season, they will hold off planting shrubs until next spring. Mr. Bunker said folks would be pleased with the project once it is done.

**C.)** Joshua Bell requested that an executive session be held. Chairman Smith stated that an executive session would be held directly following the Special Town Meeting.

**At 6:48 P.M., Chairman Smith suspended the Selectmen’s Meeting until after the Special Town Meeting.**

**The Selectmen’s Meeting resumed at 7:37 P.M.**

**Matthew Smith moved to go into hold an executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 405.6. A to discuss a personnel matter at 7:40 P.M.; Scott Landry seconded.**

**VOTE                      AFFIRMATIVE      5                      MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting came out of Executive Session at 8:10 P.M.

No action was taken.

**There being no further business to come before the Board, Stephan Bunker moved 8:11 P.M. to adjourn at 8:11 P.M.; Joshua Bell seconded.**

**VOTE                      AFFIRMATIVE      5                      MOTION CARRIED**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Nancy L. Martin.

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Byron Staples - Secretary