

Town of Fairfield Select Board Minutes

June 22, 2015

In Attendance: Tom Howrigan, Gene Archambault, Norm Menard and Greg Christie

Visitors: Mike Malone, Kevin Dirth, Denise Smith, Jim Farr, Dan Connor

Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes

Secretary: Melissa Manson

1. School Board folks came to discuss Act 46 School Consolidation. The bill changes supervisory unions to school districts. One school board for all schools in our union – Town, City, BFA and Fairfield. Would reduce taxes by .10 the first year as incentive. Would reduce taxes by .30 over 5 years. In 2 years the State will come back and look at any schools that didn't do it voluntarily and in 4 years they will force it with no tax advantage. We would no longer have choice for high school. If we don't do it, we will pay more to fund the incentive for supervisory unions that do it. School board will study the law over the summer and have a public forum in September. Will vote at March meeting.
2. Dubois and King budget to turn the 2-way into a 4-way is \$5K in order to do it before 2017 when the sidewalks get done. Gene made a motion to approve. Greg seconded. Gene, Greg in favor. Norm opposed. Motion carries.
3. Greg made a motion to approve the minutes. Norm seconded. All in favor
4. Quote on bedliner for Rod's truck not in yet
5. Permit not in yet for paving up to Route 36 on Park St., North Rd and South Rd
6. Ann Branon dropped her price to \$2500 to paint the town office when discovered that the gables don't need to be painted. Norm made a motion to approve. Gene seconded. All in favor.
7. Norm made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. Gene seconded. All in favor. Norm made a motion to exit executive session. Gene seconded. All in favor. Information only. No decisions.
8. Sand from Roger Wright is \$9/yd delivered. We need 5000 yards in Fairfield and 1000 yards in East Fairfield. Norm to check it out if he is willing to drop one load.
9. Paving starts June 29th. Permit in process. School to be billed directly. Library needs prep work and North Road needs serious shimming. Pavers know this.
10. Final grant amendment approved for Swamp Road culvert. Planned for July 22nd to September 18th. Message board 2 weeks ahead. All information to go on FPF a couple of weeks from now.
11. Tax sale on Belval and Sloan properties on July 14th
12. Line Paint needs to be done on school, library and Park St. on the north side. State contract will not do these roads.
13. North Fairfield cemetery – no money for lawn care. Town to pay this year.
14. Emergency Plan about half done. Regional Planning asking. Tom working on it.
15. Gene made a motion to ratify the previous approval of the Town Plan on May 26th. Norm seconded. All in favor.
16. Overweight permit signed
17. Issue still with the wetlands change at the Pond. Need to hire someone to amend the permit. \$1800 to do it. Permit fees begin July 1
18. Greg made a motion to approve the warrants and adjourn. Gene seconded. All in favor.

These minutes exist in draft form until approved by the Select Board.