

Farmington Village Corporation

Assessors Meeting

September 17, 2020

The Board of Assessors met September 17th, 2020 at 7:00 a.m. in the meeting room located at 137 High Street. Those in attendance were: Louise McCleery, Paul Hersey, James Andrews, Thomas A Holt and Mary Farrell. Ms. McCleery called the meeting to order at 7:16am

Adjustments on agenda: Old Business – lease, New Business – Atlantic Salmon Federation. Mr. Hersey approved the agenda with these additions. Ms. McCleery seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

Adopt Agenda: Mr. Hersey made a motion to adopt the agenda with the adjustments. Mr. Andrews seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

The minutes of August 20th were reviewed: Mr. Andrews made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Hersey seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

Warrants/Bank Reconciliation: The warrants for August were approved and initialed by all Assessors. The Bank Statements for August were approved and initialed by all Assessors.

Public Comment: Dale Bryant was present at the Assessors' meeting. Mr. Bryant inquired how an Assessor was appointed. Mr. Andrews explained that an Assessor needs to be voted in, usually at the Annual meeting.

Old Business: Ms. McCleery was inquiring when FVC had to notify Jon Butterfield of the expiration of his five year term. FVC shall notify Mr. Butterfield 120 days prior regarding whether the property will be offered for lease again, and regarding any change in the terms or conditions of the new lease.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Holt reported that Hight Chevy has 3 trucks coming in about three weeks. Farmington Water Department is hoping to purchase one of them. The guys are still working on doing the GPS for the curb stops, and general maintenance.

New Business: Maine PowerOptions – reviewed the options Constellation had provided us with. Mr. Andrews will check with the lawyer how solar credits will affect the lock in fixed rate with Constellation. FVC will check with Constellation on including all six locations on the fixed rate. The Assessors give Mr. Holt authority to sign the contract with Constellation.

Liens – The office personnel have started Lien procedures on a few customers.

Mr. Andrews made a motion to start implementing Interest on passed due accounts. FVC will abide by Maine PUC rules. Ms. McCleery seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

Atlantic Salmon Federation – Mr. Holt has met with the Project Manager of the Atlantic Salmon Federation concerning the demolition of Walton Mills Dam. There is a 6” cast iron water main that was installed in the 1900s, and in about 3” of silt, that would be affected. There are 4 customers that are hooked up to this main. Mr. Hersey inquired if that main would still be needed if Atlantic Salmon were to have wells dug for these four customers. Mr. Holt replied that the main would still be needed in order to have a continuous circle of water. If wells were to be installed, FVC would lose revenue from these customers. The Assessors would like to have Mr. Holt investigate the existing 6” water main, and come up with solutions to upgrade this system before new regulations are in place due to the removal of the Dam. The Assessors want a report on the solution at the October 22nd meeting

Items for Discussion: No Items for Discussion

Ms. McCleery made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 a.m. Mr. Hersey seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

Future Meeting: October 22nd, 7:00 am