

Farmington Town Special Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 30, 2017

E913 Prairie View Ln

Waupaca, WI 54981

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Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Chair Caroline Murphy presided. The opening statement was given. Notices were properly published and posted.

Roll Call: Caroline Murphy-Chair, Craig Nelson-Supervisor I, Mark Jensen-Supervisor II, Julie Leaf Clerk-Treasurer, and 11 citizens.

Approve Agenda: A motion by Craig Nelson seconded by Mark Jensen to approve the agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

New Business:

- 1) Open discussion and approval of a response to the Waupaca City Park & Recreation expectation of payment from \$62,771 to \$69,034

Caroline Murphy gave a brief history with the Waupaca Park & Recreation payment.

Discussion with citizens included topics of:

Letter from Park & Rec (see attached)

Voucher System

Cost of Park & Rec's overhead

Fund 80

Dayton & Lind

Park & Rec placing surcharge on town's residents

Controlling the cost percentage increase per year

Town attending the Park & Rec meeting 11-2-2017 and questions to be asked

Adjournment: A motion by Craig Nelson seconded by Mark Jensen to adjourn at 8:27 pm. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Submitted by: Julie Leaf

Audio of this meeting will be available upon request until 12/31/2017.

Posted November 3, 2017 @ Farmington Town Hall & Website www.farmington-waupaca.com



October 4, 2017

Caroline Murphy, Farmington Town Board Chair
E913 Prairie View Lane
Waupaca, WI 54981

Dear Members of the Farmington Town Board,

The City of Waupaca Parks and Recreation greatly appreciates your township's commitment to our community's youth through the Youth Program Agreement over the past 21 years. We will continue to move forward in conversations with the Waupaca School District through the remainder of this year and 2018 in an effort to correct areas of concern with our current agreement. We also want to personally thank you for hosting the joint township meeting on August 14th. This was a great forum for the conversation and was well organized.

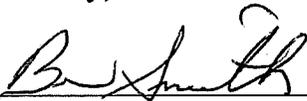
It is our goal for 2019 to mark the beginning of a new partnership with Waupaca School District as we have outlined in meetings throughout the summer. In this scenario, 2018 would be the final year of the Youth Program Agreement. It is our understanding that the Townships of Dayton and Waupaca have the intention of contributing the requested amounts outlined in the Youth Program Agreement for 2018. In your letter to Mayor Smith dated September 18th it states that your board has agreed to pay \$62,771 which, as you know, correlates to the amount Farmington would contribute under a Fund 80 scenario. In our current structure, the Township of Farmington is required to contribute \$69,034 to obtain resident rates for youth programming. We appreciate your support of the Fund 80 funding level, unfortunately we would need to recover the \$6,263 gap through user fees in order to stay consistent with the agreement and be equitable to the other partners.

Based on 2016 participation numbers, here is what the 2018 fee structure would look like. We have used Recreation Youth Baseball and Softball Fees as an example:

- *Residents of the City and Townships of Dayton and Waupaca:* \$38
- *Residents of Farmington: \$38 + \$12.20 Surcharge:* \$50.20
- *Residents Outside of Youth Program Agreement: \$38 + \$168 Admin Fee:* \$206

In working with the Waupaca School District we have the ability to greatly improve affordability of programs for youth in our school district not currently in this agreement. It is our hope that the Town of Farmington can agree to the one year amount outlined in the 2018 Youth Program Agreement to avoid a \$12.20 surcharge on program participants from Farmington. We also hope you recognize the importance of moving towards a partnership with our school district. We are aiming to make our entire community a better place for families and see a great opportunity to do so beginning in 2019. In the meantime, we ask for your partnership in 2018 to equalize the agreement for all partners and move toward an improved solution.

Sincerely,



Brian Smith, Mayor



Aaron Jenson, Parks and Recreation Director
