Fort Fairfield Town Council Special Meeting Minutes
Council Chambers
Monday, April 5, 2017
3:30 P.M.

Councilors: Jason Barnes, Mitchell Butler, Melissa Libby, John Herold and Scott Smith
Staff: Vince Baldwin, Jennifer Gaenzle, Timothy Goff, Darren Hanson, Rebecca Hersey, Ella Leighton, Tony Levesque, Shawn Newell, and James Risner
Citizens: Stephen Farnham

I. Roll Call – Chair Jason Barnes asked that the record reflect all councilors were present.

II. Public Comment- None

III. New Business –

A. Public Works Vehicle – Mr. James Risner – The Town Council authorized the Town Manager to use not more than $15,000 from the Public Works Reserve Account (G 1-3060-00) to purchase a single axel plow truck and a 4x4 pickup. The Town has purchased a 1996 GMC pickup with plow for $2,200 and a 2001 pickup with plow for $3,500 leaving $9,300 available for the purchase of a single axel low truck. Mr. Hansen has found a 2003 Sterling single plow truck for $18,000. It is in very good condition with low mileage.

Motion: Mr. John Herold moved authorize the Town Manager to use not more than $8,700 from Public Works Reserve Account (G 1-3060-00) to purchase the 2003 Sterling 8500 single axel plow truck at a cost of not more than $18,000.00

Second: Mr. Mitch Butler          Vote – All affirmative

B. Fire Department Maintenance/Storage Ceiling – Chief Vince Baldwin – The ceiling in the Fire Department maintenance/storage area is a safety hazard. Access to this area is restricted and signs are posted for all employees not to enter without a hard hat. This ceiling is directly under the recreational basketball court. Due to the continual vibrations from the use of the court, the ceiling, electrical conduits and lights are removing from the floor joists above. Public Works is not able to repair the ceiling, as the ceiling is 1 ½” to 2” thick concrete sprayed to a wire mesh. This type of ceiling has a large amount of weight. If it was to come down on an employee, they could be severely injured.

The Town received the following three estimates for the repair of the ceiling:

1) Anthill Roofing & Siding - $10,800
2) NicCait Construction, Inc. - $14,763
3) PNM Construction, Inc. - $9,976
Motion: Mr. Mitchell Butler moved authorize the Town Manager to award the contract for repairing the Fire Department Maintenance/Storage ceiling to PNM Construction, Inc. of Presque isle in the amount of $9,976 using Contingency Funds (E01-12-50-10).

Second: Mr. John Herold  

Vote – All affirmative

C. Proclamation 17-05 – Mr. Tim Goff- Michael Bruce, a nine year old resident of Fort Fairfield, had a championship performance at the National Drive, Chip and Putt Championships, held April 2nd, 2017, at Augusta National Golf Club, in Augusta, Georgia, finishing 10th in the Nation in the Boys Age 7-9 Division of the competition. Michael’s achievement at the National Drive, Chip and Putt Championship is an outstanding example of the determination and discipline that is critical to succeed in life. In recognition of Michael’s efforts, it is requested the Town Council declare that April 6th, 2017 be known as Michael Bruce Day in The Town of Fort Fairfield. A reception honoring Michael is being held at the Fort Fairfield Elementary School at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 6th. Councilors and citizens are invited to attend.

Motion: Mr. John Herold moved to approve Proclamation 17-05 in honor of Michael Bruce.

Second: Mr. Mitchell Butler  

Vote – All affirmative

IV.  Other – None

VII. Adjournment

Motion: Mr. John Herold moved to adjourn at 3:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Council Secretary  
Rebecca J. Hersey