

TOWN OF FARMINGTON  
Trustees of Trust Funds  
356 Main St  
Farmington, NH 03835

Minutes of the February 17, 2022 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm present were Emmanuel Krasner and Joseph Pitre, board members, and Kathy Seaver, bookkeeper. Excused, Board Member Deborah Reed.

Minutes: Upon motion by Pitre seconded by Krasner it was unanimously voted to defer action on the December minutes to the March meeting.

Public Comment: Cathy Tsiros arrived. She has a situation where a Scholarship she set up for a deceased student has money in an account at National Financial. The account appears to be in the name of the Farmington School District with Cathy Tsiros as the contact person. She asked if the funds had been turned over to the Trustees. They have not. Cathy does not know if the School Board ever accepted the funds. Discussion revealed a very murky situation. The Trustees have not official standing in regard to the money at this time. They have no control. No formal motion was made. Consensus is that Krasner should write to the School Board and ask that they take steps to expedite straightening this matter out and getting the funds to the Trustees. Pitre suggested that Krasner also write to the Attorney General's office of Charitable Trusts for guidance. Krasner agreed to do so.

Old Business: Review of December's deposits and distributions.

New Business: There were 3 requests for scholarship distributions:

A. A request for payment to Great Bay Community Colleg on behalf of Brooklyn S. Johns in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Beulah Perkins Thayer Scholarship fund. Copies of the Grant and her grade report were attached.

Petrie moved seconded by Krasner to issue a check as requested. Passed 2-0

B. There were two further requests for scholarship distributions to Stonhill College on behalf of Emma Worster in the amount of \$500.00 from the Meghan Scanlon Scholarship fund and to Plymouth State University on behalf of Morgan Robinson in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Farmington High School Faculty Scholarship fund, but both were conditioned on successful completion of the first semester and no grade reports were attached.

Petrie moved seconded by Krasner for the bookkeeper to ask the School District for copies of the grade reports, and upon their receipt to issue the requested checks payable to the named schools, and have them signed by available trustees. Passed 2-0.

New business:

Scholarship question from the School District. Diana Jansen called from the school district and asked if the Trustees would allow a scholarship recipient to take the spring semester off and use her scholarship the follow fall semester.

Discussion: Petrie and Krasner agreed that this is none of our business. The decision should be made by the group or entity that awards the scholarship. No action taken. Krasner and Kathy Seaver will inform Diana Jansen.

Citizen complaint that the withdrawals from the Bridge and Road Design and Construction CRF in 2020 for the installation of the Hornetown Road temporary bridge was improper because the Warrant Article tied the CRF to the 2003-2008 CIP which was for the Ten Rod Road and Tibbets Hill bridges, not the Hornetown Road Bridge. Krasner advised that the Hornetown Road bridge is included in the 2017-2022 CIP. Krasner presented a proposed letter to the Select Board and a proposed request for legal opinion. Discussion: discussion of the interplay of the CIP and the Masterplan, the possible impact of the CIP being in the Warrant Article and that CIP being expired. Agreement that we definitely need a legal opinion. Petrie moved seconded by Krasner that the letters be sent to the Select Board. Passed 2-0.

There being no further business, Petrie moved seconded by Krasner to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned 6:43 pm Next meeting March 17, 2022. (Happy St Patrick's Day).

Respectfully submitted,

*Emmanuel Krasner*

Emmanuel Krasner, recorder *pro tem*