

Minutes of the Town of Farmington
Regular Town Council Meeting February 8, 2022
Held in Person and by Zoom Webinar Meeting

Attending:

C. J. Thomas, Chair
Joe Capodiferro
Brian F. X. Connolly
Edward Giannaros
Keith Vibert
Rafeena Bacchus-Lee
Johnny Carrier

Kathy Blonski, Town Manager
Maureen Frink, Clerk

A. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p. m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Council and members of the public recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Presentations and Recognitions

1. Farmington High School Soccer Team Certificate of Excellence

Mr. Capodiferro awarded a Certificate of Excellence to the Farmington High School Soccer Team State Champions.

Senator Mike Demicco presented a Citation from the Connecticut General Assembly to the Farmington High School Soccer team in recognition of winning the CIAC Class LL State Championship for 2021.

2. Eagle Scout- Dylan James Picard

Mr. Carrier read the following proclamation into the record:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Scouts BSA helps train the youth of our community with skills which serve them well in the future, and

WHEREAS, many of our youth participate in activities of the Scouts BSA which benefit our community, and

WHEREAS, one of the crowning achievements of Scouting is the attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Dylan J. Picard from Troop 170 Scouts BSA recently completed the requirements for Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Dylan J. Picard identified a need for a year-round, community activity at his former elementary school, and

WHEREAS, Dylan J. Picard used his Eagle Scout project to build a “Gaga” Ball Pit at Union Elementary School for the students to enjoy during recess and for the afterschool EXCL program to enjoy all year long, and

WHEREAS, Dylan J. Picard’s project involved constructing a free standing octagon that allows participants to play “Gaga” Ball, a game that originated in Israel and is a variation of dodge ball where players strike the ball with their hand and other players attempt to avoid being hit below the knee, and

WHEREAS, in addition to his participation in the Scouts BSA, Dylan J. Picard has demonstrated leadership by teaching Merit Badge Classes for younger scouts, and volunteering as a Student Teacher at St. Mary’s Star of the Sea preschool program, and

WHEREAS, Dylan J. Picard attends Farmington High School in Farmington where he is a member of the Audio Visual Club and E-Sports Club, and

WHEREAS, Dylan J. Picard is the Goalie for the Avon-Canton-Farmington Youth Hockey Association, and

WHEREAS, as a result of Dylan J. Picard’s work, the lives of the children of Farmington will be enriched and enhanced.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the Farmington Town Council, we hereby extend Dylan J. Picard our best wishes and we hereby proclaim February 9, 2022, as Dylan J. Picard Day in Farmington, Connecticut.

DATED AT FARMINGTON, CONNECTICUT this 8th day of February 2022.

C.J. Thomas, Chair
Farmington Town Council

Senator Mike Demicco presented a Citation from the CT General Assembly to Dylan J. Picard in recognition of rank of Eagle Scout.

3. Eagle Scout- Jackson Williams

Mr. Vibert read the following proclamation into the record:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Scouts BSA helps train the youth of our community with skills which serve them well in the future, and

WHEREAS, many of our youth participate in activities of the Scouts BSA which benefit our community, and

WHEREAS, one of the crowning achievements of Scouting is the attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Jackson Williams from Troop 170 Scouts BSA recently completed the requirements for Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Jackson Williams identified a need for restoration of Chapel Hill at Winding Trails, and

WHEREAS, Jackson Williams used his Eagle Scout project to restore the Chapel Hill space at Winding Trails for the membership and the public to enjoy for years to come, and

WHEREAS, Jackson Williams' project involved removing and replacing the outdoor stage decking and a new support joist. Re-landscaping of both the seating area and all of the trails leading into Chapel Hill with new mulch, and

WHEREAS, in addition to his extensive Eagle Scout Project, Jackson Williams has demonstrated leadership with his role as Boy Scout Quartermaster, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader and a Boy Scout Troup Guide, and

WHEREAS, Jackson Williams attends Farmington High School in Farmington where he is a member of the Spring and Fall High School Varsity Crew and is a Summer and Fall Youth Travel Basketball all-star, and

WHEREAS, as a result of Jackson Williams's work, the lives of the public of Farmington will be enriched and enhanced.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the Farmington Town Council, we hereby extend Jackson Williams our best wishes and we hereby proclaim February 10, 2022, as Jackson Williams Day in Farmington, Connecticut.

DATED AT FARMINGTON, CONNECTICUT this 8th day of February 2022.

C.J. Thomas, Chair
Farmington Town Council

Senator Demicco and Senator Slap presented a Citation from the CT General Assembly to Jackson Williams in recognition of rank of Eagle Scout.

4. Eagle Scout – Matthew Tabol

Chairman Thomas read the following proclamation into the record:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Scouts BSA helps train the youth of our community with skills which serve them well in the future, and

WHEREAS, many of our youth participate in activities of the Scouts BSA which benefit our community, and

WHEREAS, one of the crowning achievements of Scouting is the attainment of the rank of Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Matthew Tabol from Troop 170 Scouts BSA recently completed the requirements for Eagle Scout, and

WHEREAS, Matthew Tabol identified a need for revitalizing the grounds of Farmington's Historic Old Stone School House & Chapel property, and

WHEREAS, Matthew Tabol used his Eagle Scout project to revitalize the property to enhance the appearance and make it self-sustaining, and

WHEREAS, Matthew Tabol's project involved removing a significant amount of brush and overgrowth, installing a new base for a large exterior stone step, refreshing 145' of stone perimeter around the building as well as completing many other tasks to help rejuvenate the grounds, and

WHEREAS, in addition to his participation in the Scouts BSA, Matthew Tabol has demonstrated leadership as a Triathlon Coach and as a lifeguard and swim instructor at YMCA Camp Chase, and

WHEREAS, Matthew Tabol is a talented musician who plays the trumpet in the Farmington High School Jazz Band and in the Valley Community Baptist Church Orchestra, and

WHEREAS, Matthew Tabol's expansive philanthropic work includes volunteering at Amberwoods and Middlewoods of Farmington, volunteering at the Summer Children's Camp through his church, fundraising for Connecticut Children's Medical Center, raising money for a Farmington Elementary School playground, and supporting the Blue Bag Challenge to thank Farmington Police Officers, and

WHEREAS, as a result of Matthew Tabol's work, the lives of the public of Farmington will be enriched and enhanced.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the Farmington Town Council, we hereby extend Matthew Tabol our best wishes and we hereby proclaim February 11, 2022, as Matthew Tabol Day in Farmington, Connecticut.

DATED AT FARMINGTON, CONNECTICUT this 8th day of February 2022.

C.J. Thomas, Chair
Farmington Town Council

Senator Demicco and Senator Slap presented a Citation from the CT General Assembly to Matthew Tabol in recognition of rank of Eagle Scout.

5. State Legislators

Senator Mike Demicco, 21st District, Senator Derek Slap, 5th District, and Senator Rick Lopes (via Zoom), 6th District attended the Council meeting. Senator Slap updated the Council on legislative priorities, Senator Demicco spoke about reimbursement issues regarding the 900-wing of the High School and proposals for Tax Relief. Mr. Lopes discussed the State's largest "rainy day fund", paying down state debt and pension obligations, phasing out the CT Income Tax on pensions and social security, and stated he is in support of submitting the language to make Farmington whole on funding for the high school.

The Senators answered questions from the Council members and Chair regarding the following: the State's reimbursement rates, advocacy of Farmington residents, electric charging stations, Batterson Park reconstruction, traffic safety, police accountability bill and secondary traffic stops, the Senator's legislative priorities, the Governor's Executive Orders, Pilot Funds, tax cuts, when Farmington can expect to receive the Deed for the Parson's property in Farmington center, Farmington's funding for 2021 when the referendum passes (18.93) versus the 2022 rate (19.64), issues with the schools, and remote-work status of State employees. Also, underfunding for the Regional Health District, the solid waste management crisis, and air quality school projects being eligible for state reimbursement.

D. Public Hearing

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to consider the purchase of property owned by Robert and Eileen Bland located at 8480 Meadow Road (11.27 acres) and 8481 Meadow Road (7.13 acres) for a total price of \$604,000.

Bill Wadsworth, 73 Red Oak Hill Rd, member of the Land Acquisition Committee, presented on Lots 8480 and 8481 Meadow Rd.

E. New Items

There were no new items added to the Agenda.

F. Public Comments

Cate Grady-Benson, 32 Mountain Road, spoke in support of the purchase of Lots 8480 and 8481 Meadow Rd and her letter is attached to these minutes as Agenda Item F-1.

G. Reading of the Minutes

1. January 11, 2022 Regular Town Council Meeting

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2022 Regular Town Council Meeting.

Adopted unanimously

2. January 18, 2022 Special Town Council Meeting

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2022 Special Town Council Meeting.

Adopted unanimously

3. January 25, 2022 Regular Town Council Meeting

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2022 Regular Town Council Meeting.

Adopted unanimously

H. Reading of Communications and Written Appeals

Attached to these minutes as Agenda Item H-1 is a letter submitted by Cate Grady-Benson, who spoke earlier in the meeting, in support of the Bland property purchase.

I. Report of the Committees

1. 1928 Building Ad-Hoc Committee

Mr. Carrier reported he had a couple meetings with the Ad-Hoc Committee as well as the professional partners regarding deadlines and scheduling.

2. American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Ad-Hoc Committee

The Chair reported that funds will not be used for general operating accounts, recommended funds be used for everyone in the community instead of a select group, and the benefit of funding a large town-wide Capital project.

3. Farmington High School Building Committee

Mr. Carrier reported that the Committee selected Innovated Engineering Services for commissioning services, authorized the Town Manager and Professional Partners

Subcommittee to negotiate and sign a contract with Innovated Engineering Services. Also, the Committee voted and gave consensus to proceed with early enabling package allowing Professional Partners to move forward with temporary parking areas and getting ready for the new building area. The next meeting in on Feb. 16, 2022. All information is available online at fhsbuildingproject.org.

4. Green Efforts Committee

Mr. Carrier reported the Committee talked some of the anti-idling items at the schools about composting and how they can help with the landfill.

5. Land Acquisition Committee

Mr. Capodiferro reported that the current topic is being discussed at this meeting.

6. Racial Equality Taskforce

Mr. Capodiferro reported that there will be a community conversation at the end of the month, and the Taskforce is hoping that their website will be up and running next week.

J. Report of the Council Chair and Liaisons

1. Chair

The Chair reported that the town is entering the budget season now and working through the high school project, has set strategic plans for the next two years, is working on the 1928 building and discussing the ARPA funds, and mentioned that the Town is always looking for volunteers, which will be posted on the Town's website.

2. Conservation and Inland Wetlands

There was no report from Conservation and Inland Wetlands liaison.

3. Board of Education Liaison

Ms. Bachus-Lee reported that the Board of Education will be presenting their budget shortly.

4. Bicycle Advisory Committee

The Chair reported the Committee was discussing the wayfinders sign and to expand that committee to more modes of transportation.

5. Economic Development Commission Liaison

Mr. Giannaros stated the Commission reviewed the proposed budget for the 2022/23 fiscal year, including one new item regarding wayfinder signage in Unionville. The next meeting is on March 9, 2022.

6. Farmington Historic District Commission

Mr. Connolly stated there were a couple items discussed, one of which did not pass. Discussion was had regarding alternates vote on election of officers and found it would be a violation of the bylaws. The next meeting is on February 15, 2022.

7. Housing Authority

There was no report from the Housing Authority.

8. Human Relations Commission

Ms. Bacchus-Lee stated the Commission was updated on the sidewalk project, approved the rating scale for events, activities, and acknowledgements. The FHS Social Justice club will present at the next HR meeting on March 28, 2022, and the Commission will continue discussion on goals.

9. Library Board

Mr. Vibert stated the Library Board discussed their budget proposal.

10. Town Plan and Zoning Liaison

Mr. Vibert reported that, sadly, Marcie Schwartz, a member of the Commission, passed away. Mr. Connolly took a moment to recognize and remember Marcie. The Chair added that Marcie was a beloved member of the community and offered a moment of silence to the Council and public.

11. Unionville Historic District Commission

Mr. Giannaros reported that the Commission continued to review their list of potential properties for expanding the District, and the Commission is planning a walking tour for the fall. The next meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2022.

12. Unionville Village Improvement Association Liaison

There was no report from the Unionville Village Improvement Association.

13. Water Pollution Control Authority

Mr. Capodiferro reported that the WPCA will be voting on a zero percent increase.

14. Other Liaisons

There were no other Liaison reports.

K. Report of the Town Manager

a. CERT Truck/Canteen 52 Donations

The Town Manager reported that the Farmington Police Department received two donations, one from the Lions Club of Unionville and one from Ion Bank, to assist in the purchase of a truck capable of towing the CERT Canteen Trailer. Ms. Eagan thanked both the Lions Club and Ion Bank for their generous donations.

b. Update on the proposed Fire Station Building Committee

A working group to review and update the Town's Facility Study and Emergency Services Consultant's Study has been set up.

c. 2022 Town Council Budget Schedule

The Town Manager discussed the Budget schedule

The Town Manager's Report is attached to these minutes as Agenda Item K

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to accept the report of the Town Manager.

Adopted unanimously

L. Appointments

1. Conservation & Inland Wetlands Commission – **Alternate**

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) that Bob Canto be appointed to the Conservation & Inland Wetlands Commission as an **alternate** for a balance of a four-year term beginning immediately and ending September 30, 2025. (Berlandy)

Adopted unanimously

2. Economic Development Commission (Philips)
3. Green Efforts Commission (Barnes)
4. Green Efforts Commission (Boye-Williams)
5. Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild & Scenic Management Plan (LFSWS) (Schlegel)
6. Plainville Area Cable TV Advisory Council (Bernier)
7. Retirement Board (Huelin)
8. Retirement Board (Wlodkowski)
9. Unionville Historic District & Properties Commission – **Alternate** (Marsh)
10. Unionville Historic District & Properties Commission (Martin)
11. Human Relations Commission (Pawlik)

There was no action taken on Agenda Items L-2 through L-11.

12. Town Plan & Zoning Commission

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) that Liz Sanford be appointed to the Town Plan & Zoning Commission for the balance of a four-year term beginning immediately and ending January, 2024. (Schwartz)

Ms. Bacchus-Lee spoke of highly of Liz and her qualifications for this position.

Adopted unanimously

13. Land Acquisition Committee

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro) that Robert (Bob) Hannon be appointed to the Land Acquisition Committee for an indefinite term. (Tulin)

Adopted unanimously

M. Old Business

There was no Old Business conducted.

N. New Business

1. To recommend the purchase of 8480 Meadow Road and 8481 Meadow Road to the Town Plan & Zoning Commission for a report under section 8-24 of the Connecticut State statutes.

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to recommend the purchase of 8480 Meadow Road and 8481 Meadow Road to the Town Plan & Zoning Commission for a report under section 8-24 of the Connecticut State statutes, which is attached to these minutes as Agenda Item N-1.

The Council thanked Mr. Wadsworth for all his hard work.

Adopted unanimously

2. To approve the 2022 Blighted Building List.

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to approve the 2022 Blighted Building List, which is attached to these minutes as Agenda Item N-2.

The Town Manager stated that there was a small error in the Motion at the last meeting and the Council is formally motioning again at this time.

Adopted unanimously

3. To set a public hearing on March 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers on the Town Manager's FY 2022-2023 Recommended Budget.

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to set a public hearing on March 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers on the Town Manager's FY 2022-2023 Recommended Budget, which is attached to these minutes as Agenda Item N-3.

Adopted unanimously

4. To remove Rafeena Bacchus-Lee as the Chair of the Green Efforts Committee and to appoint Johnny Carrier as the Chair of the Green Efforts Committee.

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to remove Rafeena Bacchus-Lee as the Chair of the Green Efforts Committee and to appoint Johnny Carrier as the Chair of the Green Efforts Committee.

Adopted unanimously

5. To remove Johnny Career as the Town Council Liaison to the Inlands Wetlands Commissions and to appoint Rafeena Bacchus-Lee as the Town Council Liaison to the Inlands Wetlands Commission.

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to remove Johnny Career as the Town Council Liaison to the Inlands Wetlands Commissions and to appoint Rafeena Bacchus-Lee as the Town Council Liaison to the Inlands Wetlands Commission.

Adopted unanimously

6. To ratify the tentative collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Farmington and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employee (AFSCME), Local 1689 for the Period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to ratify the tentative collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Farmington and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employee (AFSCME), Local 1689 for the Period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024, which is attached to these minutes as Agenda Item N-6.

Adopted unanimously

7. To approve property tax refunds.

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to approve property tax refunds, which are attached to these minutes as Agenda Item N-7.

O. Executive Session

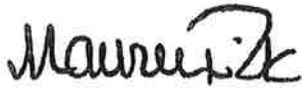
There was no Executive Session held.

P. Adjournment

Motion was made and seconded (Capodiferro/Vibert) to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

The Council wished Brian Rush a happy birthday.

Adopted unanimously

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Maureen Frink". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Frink, Clerk



Board of Directors

Farmington Town Council

February 4, 2022

Lisa Johnson
President

RE: The Town Purchase of the Robert and Eileen Bland Property located at 8480 Meadow Road (11.27 acres) and 8481 Meadow Road (7.1 acres)

Evan Cowles
Vice President

Dear Council Members,

Jonathan Estrellado
Treasurer

The Farmington Land Trust is a private, 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, founded in 1971 with the goal of protecting Farmington's open space. For 50 years the Land Trust has acquired land, promoted wildlife habitat and restoration of biological diversity, provided trails for residents to enjoy nature, educated the community regarding the importance of open space, provided a natural classroom for Farmington Schools as well as local universities, and advocated at the state and local levels for the long-term protection of Farmington's natural resources.

Steve Nelson
Secretary

Francie Brown Holmes
Recording Secretary

The Board of Directors of the Farmington Land Trust supports the acquisition of the Bland property as open space for the Town of Farmington. This purchase will ensure the preservation of land which is contiguous with other Town of Farmington and State of Connecticut open space thus creating further protection for the flora and fauna who inhabit those forests and wetlands. The connection to the Westwoods Upper Elementary School property will provide access for opportunities for experiential learning in nature.

Patti Boye-Williams
Jim Calciano
Sally Chaves
Peter Dorpalen
Robert Hannon
Jessica Harrison
Steve Silk
Jennifer Villa

It is our hope that the town will seek a reimbursement grant from the state for open space thereby ensuring the wetlands on that parcel remain undeveloped. We urge you to approve this acquisition for the benefit of all the residents of Farmington and generations to come.

Bob Hannon
Ex-Officio

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Kramer
Ex-Officio President

Cate Grady-Benson
Executive Director Farmington Land Trust

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Executive Director

Meghan Naujoks
Development Assistant

The Farmington Land Trust is a private, non-profit, tax-exempt organization under section 501©3 of the federal tax code.

MOTION:

Agenda Item K

Report of the Town Manager

- a. CERT Truck/Canteen 52 Donations
- b. Fire Station Building Committee Update
- c. 2022 Town Council Budget Schedule

a. CERT Truck/Canteen 52 Donations

The Farmington Police department recently received two large donations from members of the Farmington and Unionville community for the Farmington CERT Canteen 52. The Lions Club of Unionville donated \$10,000. Ion Bank donated an additional \$5,000. These donations were made to assist in the purchase of a heavy-duty pickup truck capable of towing the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Canteen trailer.

Canteen 52 responds to emergencies as well as planned trainings or exercises to provide food & beverage to First Responders and those effected by the emergency. It is staffed and managed by the volunteers of the Farmington Community Emergency Response Team.

b. Fire Station Building Committee Update

As you know, based on our discussion at the Strategic Plan workshop meetings, the Town is not establishing a formal Building Committee until later in the year. To keep the project's momentum, the Police Chief and the Volunteer Fire Chiefs have set up a working group to review and update the Town's Facility Study (2014) and Emergency Services Consultant's Study (2018). This is particularly important because the original study is eight years old. This working group will be very helpful to the future Building Committee.

c. 2022 Town Council Budget Schedule

Below is the 2022 Town Council meeting schedule for the upcoming budget meetings, workshops, Annual Town Meetings and Referendums.

Public Hearings, Annual Town Meetings & Referendums:

February 22, 2022	Capital Budget Presentation
March 8, 2022	Public Hearing on Town Manager's Recommended Budget
April 3, 2022	Public Hearing on Town Council's Proposed Budget
April 18, 2022	First Annual Town Meeting
April 28, 2022	First Budget Referendum
May 2, 2022	Second Annual Town Meeting (if needed)
May 12, 2022	Second Referendum (if needed)

Budget Workshop Sessions:

March 9, 2022	4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
March 10, 2022	4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
March 12, 2022	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

March 14, 2022
March 15, 2022
April 29, 2022

04:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (if needed)
4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (if needed)
4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Only if first Referendum
fails)

MOTION:

Agenda Item N-1

To recommend the purchase of 8480 Meadow Road and 8481 Meadow Road to the Town Plan & Zoning Commission for a report under section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

NOTE:

- Acquisition Type: Open Space/Farmland
- Property Size: 18.40 Acres
- Zone: R-40 Residential Zone
- Resource Values: Open Space
- Town's Appraisal: \$508,000 Total
 - \$311,000 - 8480 Meadow Road
 - \$197,000 - 8481 Meadow Road

- Bland Appraisal: \$700,000 Total
- Acquisition Cost: \$604,000 Total

The subject property consists of two contiguous, irregularly-shaped, vacant parcels of land. Both parcels are within the R-40, Residential Zone. The parcels have a combined land area of 18.40 acres. Inland wetlands appears to impact approximately 30% - 40% of the two parcels collectively. The individual parcels are described as follows:

8480 Meadow Road, Farmington, CT

The subject property is an elongated parcel with 272.99 feet of frontage along the southerly side of Meadow Road. The site has a land area of 11.27 acres or 490,921 square feet. A swath of inland wetlands is evident in the northwest section of the site and the wetlands area impacts a majority of the street frontage. The remainder of the parcel is wooded or generally cleared land with gently rolling contours.

8481 Meadow Road, Farmington, CT

The subject property is roughly rectangular and landlocked, except for access via similarly owned 8480 Meadow Road, Farmington, CT. The site has a land area of 7.13 acres or 310,583 square feet. A large swath of inland wetlands impacts 40% - 50% of the site in the southwest section of the parcel. The remainder of the parcel is wooded with gently rolling contours.

The procedure for open space acquisition approval for this property includes the following steps:

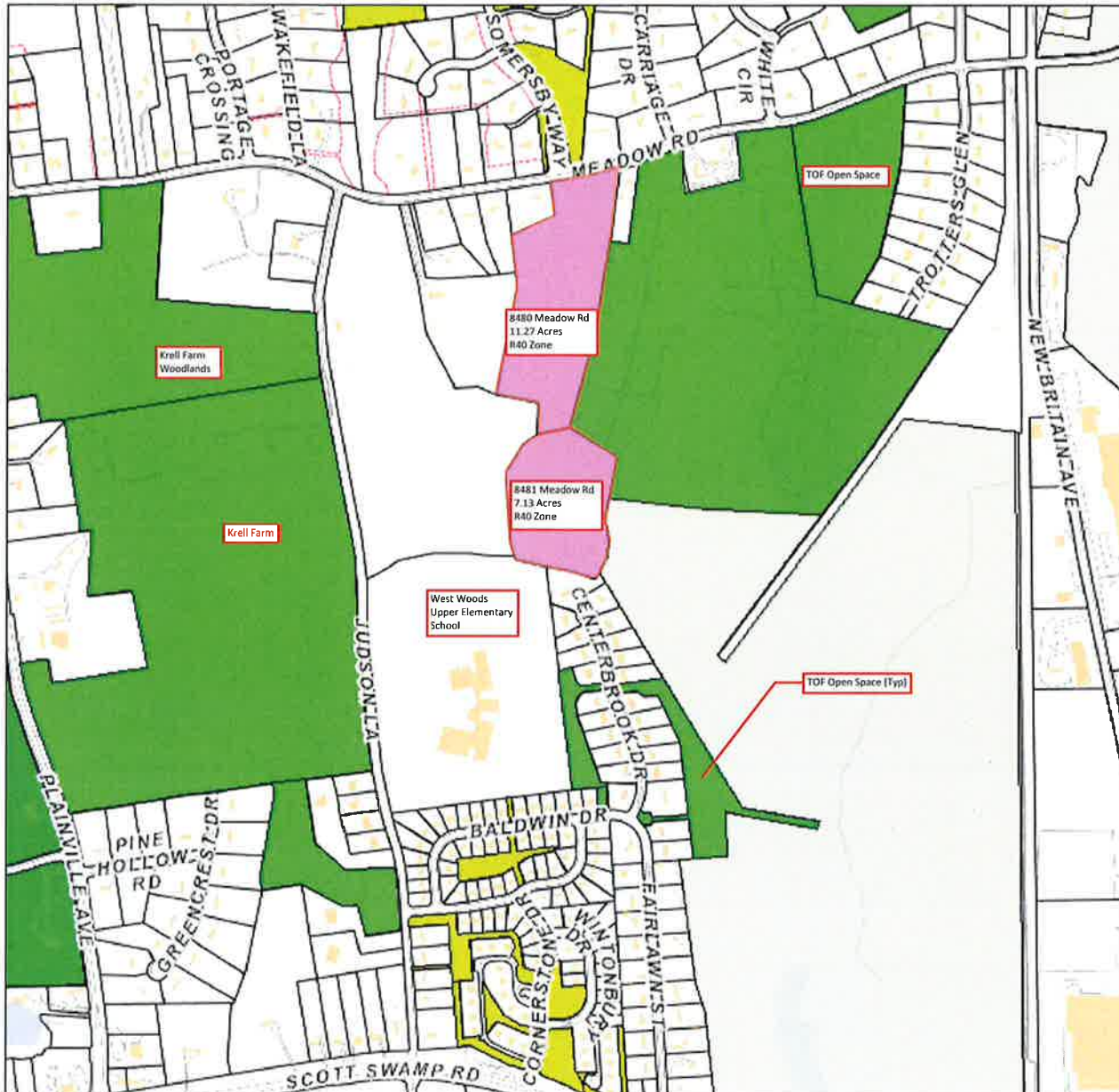
1. Setting public hearing for the February 8th Council meeting at the January 11th Council meeting – **Complete**
2. Hold public hearing on February 8th - **Complete**
3. Make 8-24 referral to TPZ at the February 8th meeting - **Complete**
4. Receive TPZ 8-24 report at the March 8th meeting
5. Vote on acquisition authorization at the March 8th meeting.

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Town of Farmington Geographic Information System (GIS)



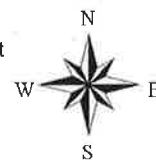
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Approximate Scale: 1 inch = 800 feet



MOTION:

Agenda Item N-2

To approve the Following Blighted Building List:

14 Blueridge Drive
23 Lakeview Drive

14 Blueridge Drive

- Town had sent an initial letter on July 7, 2017 requesting the owner address the blight issues.
- Owner submitted a schedule for repairs on August 3, 2017, indicating most of the exterior work will be completed by the end of 2017.
- Letter sent December 18, 2017 indicating the property would be sent to the Town Council for inclusion on the 2018 Blighted Building List. Property was not added, in lieu of owner submitting a revised construction schedule approved by the Town.
- Owner's employer submitted a request to the Town dated January 4, 2018, for a 90-day extension due to workload and weather.
- Owner submitted a revised schedule on February 20, 2018, indicating the garage would be completed and most tools and supplies and would be moved to the garage area. Schedule also stated most of the exterior repairs would be completed by the end of July 2018.
- Letter sent to owner March 28, 2018 if no significant improvements and/or progress is made in the next few weeks, the property will be reevaluated for inclusion to the Blighted Building List.
- Letter sent to owner May 1, 2018 indicating after no significant improvements, property will be reevaluated by the Town Council.
- Property reviewed at May 8, 2018 Town Council Meeting and property was not added to the Blighted Building List.
- Letter sent to owner June 8, 2018 after onsite meeting, stating some progress has been made and confirm the owner requested a 2-month extension (August 6th) to make significant progress on the cleanup of the property, and continue with construction schedule received February 20, 2018.
- Letter sent to owner August 8, 2018 progress is being made, and cleanup shall be completed by September 8, 2018.
- Owner had submitted a revised schedule on September 17, 2018, indicating repair of garage and commencing to move items to the garage in November 2018 and completing move of items to the garage by the end of the 1st week of December 2018 and removal of dumpster by the end of December 2018. Work on exterior of the building would commence in Jan/Feb/March 2019 and completed by April/May 2019.
- No apparent work has continued to date, and the owner does not appear to be adhering to the latest construction schedule.

- Citations have commenced October 25th, at the rate of \$500/week.
- Recommend the property remain on the Blighted Building List.

23 Lakeview Drive

- Property continues to meet Blighted Building Ordinance requirements.
- Property has been on the Blighted Building List since January 14, 2009.
- Property has a total of \$26,800 in unpaid Blighted Building Liens.
- Property has a total of \$26,100 in unpaid citations from September 9, 2013 to May 12, 2014. Fines have not resulted in liens under advice of the Town Attorney.
- Latest Legal action has resulted in a judgement in favor of the Town.
- Town has ceased fining the property owner during the legal process.
- Town has commenced foreclosure process on the Blight Liens.
- Understood that the property is currently under contract, and it is anticipated that it will sell in January 2022.
- Recommend the property remain on the Blighted Building List.

MOTION:

Agenda Item N-3

To set a public hearing on March 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Council Chambers on the Town Manager's FY 2022-2023 Recommended Budget.

MOTION:

Agenda Item N-6

To ratify the tentative collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Farmington and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employee (AFSCME), Local 1689 for the Period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

MOTION:

Agenda Item N-7

To approve the following property tax refunds.

Name	REASON	AMOUNT
Buono Andrea M	Assessor adjustment	\$692.97
Fair Titling Trust	Assessor adjustment	\$143.47
Heinze Garrett	Assessor adjustment	\$187.30
John Florio	Assessor adjustment	\$44.77
JP Morgan Chase bank	Assessor adjustment	\$366.23
Manchanda Manpreetsing	Assessor adjustment	\$18.04
Mikolosky Edmund	Assessor adjustment	\$166.66
Oh Suk H	Assessor adjustment	\$826.91
Oni-Orisan Olayinka	Assessor adjustment	\$471.92
Sawyer Alice	Assessor adjustment	\$34.96
Toyota Lease Trust	Assessor adjustment	\$210.78
United Technologies Corp	Assessor adjustment	\$444.83
Vault Trust	Assessor adjustment	\$523.32
VW Credit Leasing	Assessor adjustment	\$1,622.88
White Philip O Trustee	Assessor adjustment	\$2,715.78
Willett Scott	Assessor adjustment	\$62.66
Wright Dickens	Assessor adjustment	\$143.04
Zhestkova Tatyana	Assessor adjustment	\$54.94
Total		\$8,731.46