

**Canaan Planning Board**  
Meeting Minutes  
Meeting of September 10, 2009

Andrew Musz called the meeting to order at 6:45.

Members present: Andrew Musz, John Bergeron, Joe Frazier, Pete Gibson (alternate), Tim Lewis, Chuck Townsend, and Steve Ward. Chair Andrew Musz appointed Pete Gibson to Dan Ware's seat.

Chuck Townsend read the minutes from the meeting on August 27, 2009. Motion to accept as amended was made by Steve Ward, seconded by John Bergeron and unanimously approved.

**No Correspondence**

**Routine Business:**

Having received no plans from Ed Lary, in accordance with the motion made at the meeting on August 27, Chair Andrew Musz will write Ed Lary asking for the plans for the unoccupied mobile home on his property—will he subdivide or apply for an additional dwelling.

**6:54 Final Completeness Review:**

Minor subdivision of property on Canaan St. owned by Richard Roberts and Andrea Roberts, Map 15C Lot 38. The proposal would create a smaller lot at one end of a large lot. Scott Sanborn presented a revised map and state subdivision approval for the property. Andrew Musz reviewed the requirements. Motion to accept as complete was made by John Bergeron and seconded by Chuck Townsend, approved unanimously.

**7:07 Public Hearing:**

Andrew Musz opened the hearing. Scott Sanborn was present representing Mr. and Mrs. Roberts. A new lot of 3.0 acres was to be formed leaving a remainder lot of 6.7 acres. There were no abutters present and no public comment.

The public hearing was closed. A motion to accept the subdivision as presented was made by John Bergeron, seconded by Joe Frazier, and unanimously approved.

**7:20 Discussion: Protecting Water Quality at Canaan Street Lake**

June Hammond Rowan from the Center for the Environment at Plymouth State University is preparing the report with three graduate students as part of a Land Use Planning Seminar. On December 10 the group will present their recommendations for new town regulations that would protect the quality of the lake water.

**7:50 Public Hearing on Removal of Trees from Scenic Roads:**

Road Agent Robert Scott described his plans to clear trees along Beech Cobble and Gould Roads to improve exposure of the roads to the sky to hasten drying in the spring. Andrew Musz reviewed RSA231:158 regulating maintenance along designated scenic roads. Discussion was opened on whether scenic roads should be improved, or whether poor conditions were acceptable if necessary to keep their scenic character. Philip Ferneau, Dave Barney and George Shadowens, residents with property on Gould Road, spoke in favor of maintaining its scenic properties.

A motion was made by Steve Ward, and seconded by Joe Frazier, to request that the road agent mark with plastic ribbon those trees along Beech Cobble and Gould Roads which he believes should be removed for public safety reasons, the marking to take place by Sept. 24, allowing planning board members and the public to review the planned cut. Motion was approved unanimously.

Tim Lewis moved that the public hearing be continued to 7:15 on Sept. 24, when a decision on the cutting would be discussed further. The second was from John Bergeron and the motion was approved unanimously.

**8:45 Other Business:**

Tim Lewis reported that a resident has requested an update on the status of the CIP. Last year's CIP was never completed, but Dan Ware should have a final draft. Steve Ward will see what information from last year's document he can retrieve. Andrew suggested that conceptually a CIP should be used as a six-year forecast of needs for large items only. A motion to reconstitute the CIP committee was made by Chuck Townsend, seconded by John Bergeron and approved.

**9:30 Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Chuck Townsend, seconded by Tim Lewis and passed.

Respectfully submitted,          Chuck Townsend, Acting Scribe