

Minutes
CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2007

The meeting was opened at 7:00 PM by Chairman Reagan at the Canaan Fire Station. Selectmen Burnett and Waldner were present. Acting Interim Administrator Dexter Bucklin was also in attendance.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF October 2, 2007

Having reviewed the minutes of the Board voted the following: Selectman Burnett moved, Selectman Waldner seconded, and the Board voted 3-0 to accept the Minutes of the October 2, 2007 meeting as amended.

CJM Property Rentals LLC Building Permit Issue

Jeff Majewski appeared before the Board to discuss his need to get a building permit for the construction of a 45 x 60 garage on an existing slab on property located at 8 Depot Street. The building on the slab had been destroyed by fire around 1991. The foundation had not been on the assessment card for a number of years. After a lengthy discussion the Board agreed to review and clarify the explanation of when a permit is required. The Board would also check with Cross Country Appraisal Group to insure that foundations are included on current assessment cards. Jeff agreed that he would get a building permit for his garage.

Road Policy

In response to a meeting with Goose Pond Area residents concerned about the amount of salt being applied to the roads around Goose Pond, Selectman Waldner presented the Board with a draft of a "Reduced Salt Policies" modeled after the State of New Hampshire's recommendation for type 5 roads. After discussion, action was tabled until next meeting to enable members to review the policy and to ask the Road Agent to review and comment on the proposed policy.

CIP

Selectmen were presented with copies of the September 8, 2007 Capital Improvement Program 2008-2013. Members will review the document and act on it at the next meeting.

TRANSFER STATION

Al Posnanski updated the Board on the Transfer Station Committee's review of the current fee schedule and permit procedures. Glenn is reviewing the options for a voucher system and the committee will be bringing recommendations to the Board shortly. There was a brief discussion of the status of the Transfer Station Ordinance. It is hoped that the Police Chief and Glenn will be able to meet with the Board at the next meeting to review the implementation of the Ordinance.

Concord Meetings with DES and DOT

Mr. Bucklin briefed the Board on his meeting with DES officials relative to the exposed sewer line in Orange Brook. DES appears willing to view this as an emergency situation which would avoid the long process involved in the regular DES permit process. The Town needs to get Mr. Remacle to give a more detailed outline of the procedures he will follow to minimize the environmental impact of the work needed to be done.

Mr. Bucklin informed the Board that he met with DOT to discuss the River Road Bridge replacement project and was told that the money for the project would be available one year earlier. The Town could start construction after July 1, 2008. HEB engineers should be notified to prepare a scope and fee memorandum to be reviewed by the Town and DOT. After acceptance the Town could go out for bids in March or April.

Flood Plain Insurance

The Town has received copies of the new Firm Flood Insurance Rate Maps that will become effective February 20, 2008. The Town will need to vote on an updated floodplain ordinance at the 2008 Town Meeting. Jennifer DeLong of the New Hampshire Division of Energy and Planning will send the Town the suggested wording for the Ordinance.

Primex Contract

The Board reviewed and signed the multiyear contract (3 year) with Primex to provide Canaan with the required Workers Comp Insurance. The multiyear contract provides the Town with a 5% discount on the insurance annual cost.

2008 Budget Review

The Board continued its review of the Town budget requests for 2008. The Selectmen will complete their review at the next meeting.

The Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 PM

Robert Reagan

Kristina Burnett

Jay Waldner
Canaan Board of Selectmen