

Minutes
CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Tuesday, January 8, 2008

The meeting was opened at 7:15 PM by Chairman Reagan at the Senior Center. Selectmen Burnett and Hudgens and acting Interim Administrator Dexter Bucklin were also in attendance. Others present: Ellie Davis, Al Posnanski, Matt Wilson, Todd Barravalle, Chris Kilmer and Phil Salvail.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 2, 2008

Having reviewed the minutes the Board voted the following: Selectman Hudgens moved, Selectman Burnett seconded, and the Board voted 3-0 to accept the Minutes of the January 2, 2008 meeting as amended.

OFFICER CHRIS KILMER

Chris Kilmer, Northern Vice President Local 3657 and Canaan Chapter Chair, appeared before the Board to explain the next step in the grievance procedure concerning holiday pay. It was necessary for the Board to formally deny the grievance by signing the official grievance form. After a brief explanation, the Board voted to authorize the Chairman to sign the form denying the grievance.

2008 Warrant Articles

The Board discussed the following as potential Articles and voted 3-0 to recommend passage at the 2008 Town Meeting:

Article 2. "Are you in favor of updating the town's floodplain ordinance, as proposed by the planning board as follows: update and re-enact the current town floodplain ordinance adopted as Article 19 at the 1988 Town Meeting to comply with the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program?"

Article \$161,109 for Water Sewer Operations paid out of user fees

Article for \$45,000+ to replace heating system of the Town Library and Town Offices

Article for \$10,000. to repair tomb stone in Canaan cemeteries

Article to raise \$5,000 for a Transfer Station Capital Reserve Account

Article to raise \$30,000 for Fire Truck Capital Reserve Account

Article to raise \$25,000 for Bridge Capital Reserve Account

Article to establish a Police Detail revolving fund.

Article to raise \$30,000.for a Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Account

Article to raise \$25,000 for the purchase of a sidewalk tractor plow

Article to make Police secretary a full time position

2007 Budget Adjustments

The Board reviewed the 2007 Budget expenditure and agreed that the application of the Highway Block Grant monies to cover the over expenditures of other line items in the Highway Budget would be appropriate. With these adjustments, it is projected that approximately \$70,000 of the Highway Block Grant will be carried into the 2008 budget year. This should result in a \$40,000 overall surplus for 2007.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

The Board reviewed the letter of commitment from the Upper Valleys Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission to participate in the hazardous waste collection to be held in Lebanon on May 17th and September 20th from 9 AM till Noon. The Board voted to authorize the Chairman to sign the letter of commitment to participate on behalf of the Town of Canaan.

Interviews

The Board reviewed their plans for the Wednesday, January 9th interviews with five candidates for the Town Administrators position. The interviews are scheduled to be conducted at the Local Government Center in Concord beginning at 9:00 AM.

Water Study Review

The Board had received copies of the Wright – Pierce report outlining options for improving the Disinfection by-products reduction for the Canaan water system.

The Board will set up a meeting with Wright-Piece to discuss the options and time table for the implementation of suggested options. DES will be invited to this meeting.

Non Public Session (RSA 91-A.3©)

Selectmen Burnett moved, Selectmen Hudgens seconded, and the Board voted to go into non public session to discuss a personnel issue at 9:20 PM.

The Board returned to Public Session at 9:40 PM and the meeting was adjourned.

Robert Reagan

Kristina Burnett

Thomas Hudgens
Canaan Board of Selectmen