

Minutes
CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Tuesday, February 12, 2008

The meeting was opened at 7:00 PM by Chairman Reagan at the Canaan Fire Station. Selectmen Hudgens and acting Interim Administrator Dexter Bucklin were also in attendance. Others present: Ellie Davis, Phil Salvail, Al Posnanski, Ed Labrie, Tim Lewis, Earl Smith and Matt Wilson.

Acceptance of Minutes of the February 5, 2008 Meeting

Having reviewed the minutes the Board voted the following: Selectman Hudgens moved, Selectman Reagan seconded, and the Board voted 2-0 to accept the Minutes of the February 5, 2008 meeting as amended.

Goose Pond Bridge Capital Reserve Transfer

The Board reviewed the request from the Department of Transportation for the Town's 20% share of the completed work on the Goose Pond Road Bridge (#083/114) in December 2006. The Board signed a request to the Trustee of Trust to transfer \$11,566.81 from the Bridge Capital Reserve Fund to the Town for payment.

Public Hearing – Building Permit on a Non Maintained Road

At the conclusion of the Public Hearing at the last meeting on the application for approval of a building permit on a non maintained town road, the Board voted to continue the Hearing at the February 12th meeting to allow any new material to be introduced at that time. Since it is the intent of Mr. and Mrs. Shepard to schedule a hearing with the Planning Board on February 28, 2008 Chairman Reagan closed the continued Public Hearing.

Conservation Easement

The Board is waiting for direction from Town Counsel on the next step to address the apparent violation of the Conservation Easement on the Brownlee-McKee property. Counsel is in the process of reviewing all documents relative to this Easement.

Department Memo

Snow in Streets & Sidewalks

It has been brought to the attention of the Board that residents have been plowing driveways and depositing the snow on the Town Roads. The Board reviewed RSA 41:11, Regulation of Use of Highways, etc. that gives the Selectmen the authority to regulate the use of public highways. RSA 47:17 outline the areas of regulation covered including "the deposit of any waste or other thing whatever".

The Board signed a memo to Road Agent Morse referencing the Statute which prohibits the disposal of snow on public ways.

Building & Equipment Maintenance

The Board reviewed a memo to Department Heads reminding them that Tom and Larry should be contacted regarding maintenance of buildings and equipment to determine if

the repairs could be done in house as opposed to outside contractors. This memo will be circulated to all departments.

Personnel Policy – Job Description

The Board reviewed a modification of the Personnel Policy relative to the insertion of phase relative to compensatory time for exempt employees who might find it necessary from time to time to work more than forty hours during a week to complete work or attend a meeting. This is to clarify those salaried employees who are not eligible for overtime pay could be eligible for comp time. This option was in the old personnel policy but was omitted from the new Policy Book.

Safety – Joint Loss Committee

The State has been policing the activities of the Town’s Safety and Joint Loss Committee; requiring regular reporting practices. In response to a notice that the Town had two days to submit a required report to avoid a fine, Tom Guillette was able to submit the report on line in a timely manner. With his base of operation at the Town Hall, it was approved that Tom would take over as Chair of this Committee. Mr. Bucklin had discussed this appointment with David Heath, current Chair, who concurred with the appointment.

Other Business

There being no additional business, at 7:35 Mr. Hudgens moved, Mr. Reagan seconded, and the Board voted 2-0 to go into non public session to discuss a personal issue’

Non Public Session (RSA 91-A.3 ©).

The Board returned to public session at 7:55 PM and the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Robert Reagan

Kristina Burnett

Thomas Hudgens
Canaan Board of Selectmen