

Minutes
CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Tuesday, March 4, 2008

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

Acceptance of Minutes of the February 26 and 28, 2008 Meeting

Having reviewed the minutes the Board voted the following: Selectman Burnett moved, Selectman Hudgens seconded, and the Board voted 3-0 to accept the Minutes of the February 26 and 28, 2008 meeting as amended.

Meeting House Report

Selectman Burnett presented the Board with a Grant that had been awarded to the Town for continued restoration of the Old Meeting House. She introduced Jim Miller, Chairman of the Old Meeting House Committee to explain the Grant and the work completed to date. After a brief discussion, Selectman Burnett moved, Selectman Hudgens seconded and the Board voted 3-0 to authorize the Chairman to sign the LCHIP Grant in the amount of \$26,836. The Board thanked Mr. Miller and the Old Meeting Committee for their efforts.

Dolliver Bill Request

The Board reviewed a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Dolliver requesting a reconsideration of the Town's bill for forwarding 450 copies of assessment cards on over 200 properties. It took office staff over 4 hours to select the property cards and our standard charge of 25 cents per copy created a bill of \$223.60 including shipping costs. They thought the 25 cents per copy covered research time. After a brief discussion the Board concurred that the cost of researching was a valid charge and the total bill of \$223.60 should be paid.

MCL Violation Notice Certification

In response to a Department of Environmental Services letter sighting Env-Ws 382.16 that the Town must notify the public of the violations. The Town had been aware of the violation for the fourth quarter in December and had combined the third and fourth quarter violations in the same public notice. The Board authorized the Chairman to sign the certification letter.

Northeast Mailing System Contract – Stamp Machine

The Board reviewed the one year renewal of the Town's agreement with Northeast Mailing System for use and maintenance of our postage machine. The cost of the yearly service is \$160. The Board voted to authorize the Chairman to sign the contract.

Other Business

Conservation Easement Update: Town Administrator Michael Capone informed the Board of his phone conversation with Steve Walker stating that his office would give the other party another week to respond to the Town's concern. At that time his office would contact the Attorney General's office to determine a course of action.

Mr. Bill Tourville was concerned about the ice on Back Bay Road. He wondered why the Highway Department didn't use the grader to get the ice off the road. Chairman Reagan would contact the Road Agent to review the conditions on Back Bay Road.

Non Public Session (RSA 91 – A.3 c)

There being no additional questions, at 7:45 PM Selectman Burnett moved, Selectman Hudgens seconded, and the Board voted 3-0 to go into non public session to discuss a personnel matter.

The Board returned to Public session and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Robert Reagan

Kristina Burnett

Thomas Hudgens
Canaan Board of Selectmen