

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008**

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Bob Reagan at the Fire Department. Selectman Scott Borthwick, Selectman Tim Lewis and Town Administrator Michael Capone were also in attendance. Others present: Al Poznanski, Ellie Davis, Craig Lawler and Pop Cantlin. Chairman Reagan led those in attendance in reciting the pledge of allegiance.

Acceptance of Minutes of the April 30, 2008 Meeting

The Board reviewed the minutes and voted the following: Selectman Borthwick moved, Selectman Lewis seconded and the Board voted 3-0 to accept the Minutes of the meeting of April 30, 2008 as written.

Acceptance of Minutes of the May 6, 2008 Meeting

The Board reviewed the minutes and voted the following: Selectman Lewis moved, Selectman Borthwick seconded and the Board voted 3-0 to accept the Minutes of the meeting of May 6, 2008 as written.

Other Business

Michael mentioned to the Board that the Town will have to revisit the issue with the exposed force main. He wanted to get a sense from the Board as to how they would want to approach covering it so he could contact NHDES and begin to get the necessary approvals to work in the river. The Board felt that encasing the main in cement would be the best approach to take. Michael will contact DES and get the necessary approvals.

Michael asked the Board if they would like to begin the review of heating system quotes for the new system. The Board asked Michael to set up the review.

Michael mentioned to the Board that he had posted the notice for the new transfer station hours in the office and was going to have a notice put in the local papers and posted at other locations around Town. Al and Ellie mentioned that Glenn had already posted a sign at the Transfer Station.

Michael notified the Board that he was going to change to the Selectmen/Assessor hours on Monday, Wednesday and Friday to 8AM – 4PM. This would align them with the Tax Collector hours and other employee hours and also eliminate the situation where one employee would be left alone in the office. The Board was in agreement and asked Michael to post the change effective June 2, 2008.

Selectman Lewis brought up a request from the Planning Board to allow them to review commercial building applications in an advisory capacity prior to any action by the Selectmen. The Board took public comment from those in attendance with regard to their concerns with this level of oversight. Members of the Board were supportive of the idea noting that having another level of review, albeit informal, would provide the Board with additional input that would aid them in their decisions. The Board felt that this issue required further review and discussion.

Chairman Reagan mentioned that he was going to get some information together for a review of how to address some of the drainage issues on Goose Pond Road. Al Poznanski asked if any data had been collected with regard to winter maintenance expense for this road. Chairman Reagan said that he thought the Highway Department had kept some data on this. Michael mentioned that he would check with the Road Agent to see what information was available.

Al Poznanski asked about the status of the rewrite of the transfer station ordinance. Michael said that he had spoken with Glenn earlier in the day and was told that the Recycling Committee had not finished the review at the last meeting and they were going to finish it next month. Al responded that the review was essentially complete and he would get the updated information to Michael so the rewrite could continue.

Al also thanked the Board and the Highway Department for the use of the truck for the 4-H trash collection project.

Non-Public Session (RSA 91 – A.3-c)

With no further business before the Board, at 7:38PM Selectman Borthwick moved, Selectman Lewis seconded and the Board voted 3-0 to go into non public session to discuss personnel matters and advice from legal counsel. At 8:40 PM Selectman Borthwick made a motion to come out of non-public session. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lewis and voted 3-0 by the Board. At 8:40 PM, Selectman Borthwick made a motion to seal the minutes of the non-public session. The motion was seconded by Selectman Lewis and the Board voted 3-0 in favor of the motion. Selectmen Borthwick made a motion to adjourn the meeting that was seconded by Selectman Lewis. The Board voted 3-0 in favor of adjournment at 8:41PM.

Robert Reagan

Scott Borthwick

Tim Lewis
Canaan Board of Selectmen

