

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 5:55PM by Chairman Reagan. Selectmen Borthwick made a motion to go into non public session under 91-A:3II(b) to discuss a personnel matter. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Wilson and voted 3-0 in favor by a roll call vote.

At 7:05 PM Selectmen Borthwick made a motion to recess the non public session until completion of the public meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Wilson and voted 3-0 in favor by a roll call vote.

Chairman Reagan led those in attendance in reciting our pledge of allegiance. Others present and those who joined the meeting in progress: Selectmen Marcia Wilson, Selectmen Scott Borthwick, Town Administrator, Michael Capone, Elwin Neily, Ellie Davis, Phil Salvail, Al Posnanski, and Joe Frazier.

Minutes of the May 25, 2010 Meeting

After reviewing the minutes, Selectmen Borthwick moved and Selectmen Wilson seconded the motion to accept the minutes of the May 25, 2010 meeting as written. The Board voted 3-0 in favor of the motion.

Fran Wendelboe State Senate Candidate

Fran Wendelboe, a republican candidate for State Senate, was present to introduce herself to the Board. Ms. Wendelboe provided the Board and those present with her background and reasons for seeking office. She took questions from the Board and those present with regard to her positions on some of the issues of the day. Ms. Wendelboe thanked the Board for their time and left the meeting.

Recreation Commission –Review of By-Laws

Selectmen Wilson provided some additional background on this item to the other Board members and those present. She had asked the other Board members to review the Draft of the revised by-laws she had prepared. The other Board members and Michael had provided comments on the Draft. A revised document was submitted for approval by the Board. Selectmen Borthwick made a motion to accept the by-laws as amended. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Wilson and voted 3-0 in favor by the Board.

Alonda Kaler asked about the status of the Cozy Corner project. Selectmen Borthwick suggested that the Cozy Corner and all of the other actions of the Recreation Commission should be reviewed once the revised by-laws have been adopted by the entire commission. Alonda asked if that meant that the Board considered all of the Commission previous actions to be null and void. The Board members were in agreement that all of the actions of the Commission should be revisited and voted upon by the Commission under the new by-laws.

Review of Heating System Bids for Wastewater Plant

Michael presented Chairman Reagan with three bids for replacing the heating system at the Wastewater Plant. He explained to those present that the furnace at the Wastewater plant was in very poor condition and needed to be replaced. Bids had been solicited from local contractors to replace the existing system. Quotes had been requested for both oil and propane systems. Chairman Reagan opened each bid and read it aloud for the other Board members and those present. The Board members had questions about some of the information submitted and directed Michael to contact each vendor and get answers to their questions. Once they have received their answers the Board will revisit the topic at another meeting.

Joe Frazier

Joe was present this evening to revisit the Rivers Management issue and the nomination of a section of the Mascoma River to the State program. He mentioned that he had read an article in the newspaper regarding the financial difficulties of the Connecticut River Joint Commissions, a non profit group in Lebanon that, among other things, works with five of the Local Advisory Committees (LAC) involved with the Rivers Management Program. Joe had a concern with a potential lack of funding and the impact on the Mascoma River LAC, should it ever form.

After a brief discussion with the Board and those present, Joe mentioned that he would continue to monitor developments because of the potential impact to Canaan and the Mascoma River. The Board members thanked Joe for attending the meeting and his commitment to the Town.

Budget vs. Actual and Expenses

Michael reviewed the Budget vs. Actual and the year to date revenue reports with the Board and those present. He noted that the budget balance was slightly below the expected average of 57.70%. Michael took questions with regard to both reports.

Other Business

Michael mentioned that he had received a note from the Fire Department informing him that there would be no grant funding for the Police, Fire and Highway department generators. The Board discussed some possible funding options and asked Michael to prepare an RFP to solicit quotes for individual units for the Police, Fire and Highway buildings.

Michael spoke with the Board regarding obtaining new cell phones and switching to a government plan that requires no contractual commitment. Although there was still concern about how to monitor personal use of cell phones, the new agreement would save the Town about \$100/month. The Board asked Michael to execute the agreement.

Selectmen Borthwick asked the Board to consider the amount of unanticipated funds required for notice under RSA 31:95-b III (b). He wanted the Meetinghouse Committee to be able to accept funds up to \$4,999.00 without notice to the Board and made a motion as such. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Wilson and voted 3-0 by the Board.

Selectmen Borthwick also asked Michael if he would check with suppliers to see what the contract price for #2 fuel oil and propane was at this time. Michael mentioned that he had contacted suppliers and was waiting to here back from them.

Selectmen Borthwick asked if drafts of the Ordinances Chief Frank was going to work on had been submitted yet. Michael said he had not received any.

Selectmen Borthwick mentioned that Danny Grace has started his employment at the Transfer Station.

Selectmen Borthwick also mentioned that the Meetinghouse Committee has been discussing a rental policy for the building. There was a brief discussion of this topic. Michael mentioned that he was going to look into some of the insurance issues and speak with the LGC.

Al Posnanski asked about the bill for the Town of Orange recycling services. Michael mentioned that it has already been paid in full.

Al also asked about the handling of C&D at the Transfer Station. Michael informed the Board that he was going to revisit this with Fred Hammond to see if he is ready to start accepting C&D at his facility.

Non-Public Session (RSA 91 – A.3II(b)-continued

With no further business before the Board, at 8:59 PM Selectman Borthwick moved and Selectmen Wilson seconded a motion to reconvene the non public session to that had been recessed at 7:05PM. The motion was seconded by Selectmen Wilson and voted 3-0 in favor by a roll call vote.

At 9:42 PM Selectman Borthwick made a motion to come out of non-public session. The motion was seconded by Selectman Wilson and voted 3-0 by roll call vote. At 9:42 PM Selectman Borthwick made a motion to seal the minutes of the non public session. The motion was seconded by Selectman Wilson and voted 3-0 by roll call vote. At 9:43 PM Selectman Borthwick made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Selectman Wilson and voted 3-0 by the Board.

Robert Reagan, Chairman

Scott Borthwick

Marcia Wilson
Canaan Board of Selectmen

