

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, January 19th, 2011**

The public meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Chairman Reagan. Others present: Selectman Scott Borthwick, Selectman Marcia Wilson and TA Michael Samson. Members of the public included Ellie Davis, and Elwin Neily

Samson asked that the Board add the dedication of the Town Report to the agenda and there was a consensus to do so.

There was a brief recap of the proposed Zani land swap proposal to allow the Town to take ownership of the former landfill site off Route 4 so that the Town would qualify for landfill closure funding. Samson reviewed the proposed Warrant article language and noted that since there was no proposed expense by the Town, that it was exempt from the January 18th deadline for money articles. Samson indicated that he called to confirm that with Bernie Waugh (town counsel). A proposal was made to specifically state that no additional money was to be raised by taxes. It was also noted that the description needed to contain a right of way to the property from Route 4 and that the last sentence was incorrect and should be dropped. Motion by Scott Borthwick and seconded by Marcia Wilson to approve the language as amended subject to Waugh's approval of wording. Unanimous approval.

There was considerable discussion of whether to warn an article to authorize the sale of Cozy Corner property to a commercial developer. Discussion focused on where the proceeds should go and was decided that the original purchase price should be returned to the General Fund and that the balance should be placed in a non-lapsing recreation account. Further discussion revealed that the proposal appeared to include almost three times as much land as the three parcels that make up Cozy Corner. Samson was directed to determine if the developer intended to buy the parking areas behind the Cozy Corner property, in which case the proposal was not acceptable.

Samson stated that three names were suggested for the Town Report dedication and included Jackie Lary, Wally Medeiros and Kartherine Carlson. A brief discussion followed on their contributions to Canaan. Motion by Marcia Wilson, seconded by Scott Borthwick to dedicate the Report to all three. Unanimously approved.

At 5.30 PM Selectman Wilson made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Selectman Borthwick and voted 3-0 by the Board.

Robert Reagan, Chairman

Scott Borthwick

Marcia Wilson
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