

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, December 6th, 2011**

The public meeting at the Canaan Town Offices was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Reagan. Others present: Selectman Scott Borthwick, Selectman Marcia Wilson and TA Michael Samson.

Samson asked the Board to approve the Water Improvements Grant reimbursement request for interest for 2012 that was part of the ARRA project at the water plant. This will reimburse the interest cost for the Town on the loan outstanding. This loan will be paid off when the project is complete after the fence is installed.

Motion by Scott Borthwick approving and authorizing Bob Reagan to sign. Second by Marcia Wilson. Unanimous approval.

Samson reviewed the status on Town Office door bids and asked that the bid of Matt Dow be awarded. Motion by Scott Borthwick approving and authorizing Bob Reagan to sign. Second by Marcia Wilson. Unanimous approval.

Samson reviewed the bids for furnace cleaning and inspection. Motion by Scott Borthwick authorizing Samson to go with the lowest of the bids from Hennessey, Simple Energy and Hammond. Second by Marcia Wilson. Unanimous approval.

Samson reviewed the two proposals for repair of the Wastewater Treatment plant roof. Motion by Scott Borthwick approving the award to MTD for a price of \$2,184 to \$2,484. Second by Marcia Wilson. Unanimous approval.

Samson reviewed the status and conversations regarding the Henley personal property. Henley claims he knew nothing of the November 28th deadline to remove his equipment and asked for an additional 90 days. The Town owns the equipment by way of his abandonment of the equipment in 2008. We have now reached a total of nearly \$28,000 in storage fees and removal costs that were incurred in preparation for the property sale. Samson recommended withholding enough property to offset these costs or just keeping the equipment.

Motion by Scott Borthwick telling Henley that the Town would keep the Freightliner engine, the Freightliner Triaxle, the overseas storage containers, the Ford wrecker, the Cat backhoe, the construction staging and the cement mixer and sending by regular and certified mail a notice allowing Henley to remove the balance within 30 days or lose the remaining equipment. Second by Marcia Wilson. Unanimous approval.

Samson reviewed quotes from Art Conkey, Earl Flemming, Connecticut Valley, Max Jewell and noted the possibility of a quote from Vincent Hammond. At this point Art Conkey is the lowest bid. The contract would be on a trip to trip basis until further notice. Motion by Scott Borthwick authorizing Samson to go with Conkey unless a lower bid comes in prior to Friday. Second by Marcia Wilson. Unanimous approval.

Samson reviewed prices from Mike Duffy (Horizons) and Pathways to complete as-built drawings for the Transfer Station. Motion by Scott Borthwick authorizing Samson to award to the lowest of the two bidders (Duffy). Second by Marcia Wilson. Unanimous approval.

Samson asked what the Board's wishes were for dump stickers. He noted that there is no enforcement at this point as we are waiting for new stickers with identification numbers. Scott indicated that he didn't think there was much of a problem as we haven't heard of any complaints from Ross. Bob indicated that we needed to use volunteer help to issue new stickers if we give them out. Scott suggested having the Conservation Commission issue the stickers. All agreed that the stickers will only work if Sam enforces the Town's solid waste ordinance. Motion by Marcia Wilson and second by Bob Reagan to purchase the stickers and enforce subject to Sam's willingness to enforce the ordinance.

Samson asked that the Board authorize the purchase of a new printer for \$400 from Staples to replace the unit at the Fire Department with the expense to come out of their equipment line. Motion by Scott Borthwick approving. Second by Marcia Wilson. Unanimous approval.

Samson reviewed the proposal by Springfield Fence for a 6 foot and 8 foot high fence around the Water Treatment Plant. Motion by Scott Borthwick approving the 6 foot high fence. Second by Marcia Wilson. Unanimous approval.

At 6:45 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