

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, July 24th, 2012**

The public meeting at the Canaan Meeting House was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairman Reagan. Others present: Selectman Scott Borthwick, Selectman Marcia Wilson, TA Michael Samson and Jaclyn Lindberg.

Motion at 6:35 PM to enter into executive session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (c) (d) & (e) by Scott Borthwick second by Bob Reagan. Unanimously approved. Invited to attend was Jaclyn Lindberg.

At 6:55 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 6:56 PM Selectman Wilson made a motion to seal the minutes of the non public session. The motion was seconded by Selectman Borthwick and voted 3-0 by roll call vote.

The public meeting at the Canaan Meeting House was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Reagan. Others present: Selectman Scott Borthwick, Selectman Marcia Wilson, and TA Michael Samson. Members of the Public in attendance included Chief Sam Frank, Brett MacDonald, Mitch Evans, Phil Salvail and Al Posnanski.

Acceptance of the Minutes July 10th , 2012

Motion by Scott Borthwick with second by Marcia Wilson to approve the minutes as amended for July 10th. Unanimous.

Farnsworth/Hill Climb/RidgeRunners Complaint

Chief Frank addressed the Board to respond to the complaint from Ridge Runners and Michael Farnsworth. In essence, Chief Frank indicated that there were no undercover officers that he was aware of and the State Police deny there were any. There were only three state police officers on duty at a time (two separate shifts) that were to generally be in the Canaan area. There were minimal arrests and only 1 DUI by a non-hill climb person. Facial recognition was not used and the Police Department billed Ridge Runners less than initially quoted. Samson provided a report and indicated that he had verified all that Sam has stated with the County and the State Police and had verified how much police coverage cost at Gunstock which was higher and used more personnel than was used at Canaan. Brett MacDonald thanked the Board for the information and indicated that they would begin talking with Sam earlier in preparation for 2013. The Board and Sam indicated that before the discussions start, the Department will require payment for 2012.

Water & sewer Abatement

Samson reviewed a water bill for Therriault and a sewer bill for Streeter. In Therriault's case, the formula was incorrect resulting in an over chage of \$67.00 and in Streeter's case, he documented that he filled a swimming pool with water and verified how much so that his sewer bill was overstated by \$62.92. Motion by Scott Borthwick with second by

Marcia Wilson to approve the abatement of \$67.00 for Therriault and \$62.92 for Streeter. Unanimous.

Junk Yard Report

Samson gave a brief junk yard report indicating that all are complying to some extent and expect that they will complete cleanup this fall.

Kilton Road Bridge

Samson reviewed a letter from Lorraine and Alan Goodman requesting that the Board remove a snowmobile bridge on the Class 6 portion of Kilton Road. The Board was curious when the bridge was put in. To their knowledge, there was never any authorization for anyone to put in a bridge. Motion by Scott Borthwick with second by Marcia Wilson to direct Samson to advise the Goodman's that the bridge was not constructed by the Town, not directed to be constructed and that the road is a Class 6 and there is no obligation to maintain nor is there any Town liability. Unanimous approval.

LCHIP Agreement

Samson reviewed the LCHIP Stewardship Agreement for the Meeting House. The Agreement needs to be signed and returned to LCHIP as soon as possible. Apparently, we had received and signed an acknowledgement for the grant but did not receive the Agreement. Motion by Scott Borthwick with second by Marcia Wilson to authorize Bob Reagan to sign the Agreement. Unanimously approved.

Playground

Samson reviewed the plans for the Playground Grand Opening to be at 4PM on August 3rd. The last pieces of the project, the gate and the sunscreen tent, are to be done by the 3rd.

Report on Meter Installation

The water meters are going in quickly. The full replacement of all meters currently in operation will be complete by the end of the month and will be about 140 of the 158 locations. The balance will be new construction of pits and pumps and additional meters and will be done by the end of September.

Filing

Samson noted that he had about \$5,000 in the data processing budget to fund assistance for filing in the office. The plan has been to use Sharon Duffy to do the filing. Sharon had indicated that her daughter, Erica Nugent, could do the work during the next 4 weeks and would do it for \$12 per hour which is less than Sharon's wage. Even if she were to work 40 hours a week for 4 weeks with FICA and Medicare the cost would be just over \$2,000. Motion by Scott Borthwick with second by Marcia Wilson to approve hiring Erica Nugent to file at the rate of \$12 per hour. Unanimous approval.

EDA Funding

Samson reported that HEB had identified EDA funding as a way to secure money for the replacement of the Transfer Station bridge. He indicated that he had a meeting with Chris

Fournier and EDA to review the funding on July 26th. The Board indicated that they weren't excited but that he should learn what money is available and what strings are attached.

Samson reported on the Canaan Lake Beach closure for e-coli contamination. The actual closure was for two days and was the result of high heat and rain with run-off into the lake.

Sign(s) Near Office

Amy Thurber has requested that the Library be allowed to use the Town Crier Sign fully since the Town has a new bulletin board at the office. The Board's consensus was to allow the Library to control the Town Crier.

Rev. Parent has requested that the Town put a no parking sign near his driveway since library patrons are parking in a way that blocks his ability to enter or leave the drive way. The consensus of the Board is to recommend that Re. Parent call the police when the drive is blocked since that is already illegal.

Other Business

There was discussion about speed limit signs and it was noted that the standard speed is 35 mph unless otherwise posted.

At 8:15 PM Selectman Borthwick made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Marcia Wilson and unanimously approved by the Board.

Robert Reagan, Chairman

Scott Borthwick

Marcia Wilson
Canaan Board of Selectmen