

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, December 16th, 2014**

Chairman, Bob Reagan called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. In attendance were Selectmen Robert Reagan, Scott Borthwick, Dave McAlister, and TA Mike Samson.

Selectman Borthwick moved to enter executive session to meet with a welfare client. Dave McAlister seconded the motion. Unanimously approved. At 5:47 Selectman Borthwick moved to come out of Executive Session and suspend the session until after the open meeting. McAlister seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. At 5:47 PM Selectman Borthwick moved to seal the minutes of the executive session and Selectman McAlister seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman, Bob Reagan called the open meeting to order at 6:00 PM. In attendance were Selectmen Robert Reagan, Scott Borthwick, Dave McAlister, and TA Mike Samson. Also in attendance were Ellie Davis, Al Posnanski, and Bob Scott.

Minutes of December 2, 2014

Selectman Borthwick moved to approve the minutes of December 2nd with a change in the date. Dave McAlister seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Budget vs. Actual

Samson indicated that Gloria wanted us to characterize the \$2,500 grant payment for the preparation of the Emergency Management Plan as unanticipated income. That would allow the Town to increase gross expenditures by \$2,500 which corresponds to the \$2,500 increase in revenue from the State to pay for the work. Shelley Gerlarneau from DRA also concurred with this decision and noted that the amount of increase did not warrant a hearing to make the adjustment. Motion by Dave McAlister to recognize the unanticipated revenue of \$2,500 from NH Homeland Security and increase the gross Town appropriation by \$2,500 to pay for the preparation of the Emergency Management Plan. Second by Borthwick. Unanimously approved. Al questioned why the expense for tires was so disproportionately high compared to income. Samson indicated that the only reason he could think of was that the tires disposed of by Gerngross at Gerngross' cost were included in the Town expense. He indicated that he would check on it. Al asked about the difference between Freon and appliances and Samson indicated that Freon expense was one part of appliance expense and the title of the account should be appliance.

2015 Budget

Samson outlined the 2015 budget that has had minor adjustments made to fund an increase for dental insurance by reducing other accounts. Ellie indicated that she did not agree with how much should be budgeted for David Heath in cemeteries and asked that the dollar amount for full time service be set at \$9,058. Samson indicated that he could do that but that the budget would not change as it would be included in either highway or government buildings. Selectman Borthwick moved to adopt the expense budget as proposed with a total of \$3,320,905 for the general fund budget. Dave McAlister seconded the motion. Unanimously approved. Selectman Borthwick moved to adopt the revenue budget as proposed with a total of \$3,451,425 for the general fund and \$184,000 from undesignated fund balance for the 2015 budget year. Dave McAlister seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Grant for Repeaters and Warrant Articles were tabled until 12/23/14.

Other Business

None.

Selectman Borthwick moved to discuss welfare issues at 7:35. Dave McAlister seconded the motion. Unanimously approved. At 8:27 Selectman Borthwick moved to come out of Executive Session. McAlister seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

At 8:27 PM Selectman Borthwick moved to seal the minutes of the executive session and Selectman McAlister seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Scott Borthwick to make a rent payment of \$800 with a condition that the applicant document work efforts with second by McAlister. Unanimously approved.

Motion by Scott Borthwick to adjourn at 8:35 with second by McAlister. Unanimously approved.

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Robert Reagan, Chairman

Scott Borthwick

David McAlister
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