

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 30th, 2015**

Chairman, Scott Borthwick called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM. In attendance were Selectmen Robert Reagan, Scott Borthwick, Dave McAlister, and TA Mike Samson. Others: Bob Scott and John Coffey

Discussion regarding replacement of Pressure Washer

Bob and John described the need for a new pressure washer for the highway garage. The pressure washer is used heavily for culverts and sewer and water pipe thawing. The old one no longer has a generator to make electricity when used remotely. The new one will cost \$7,495. The proposal is to split the cost between Highway (supplies account) and the Water Department. Motion by Dave McAlister and second by Bob Reagan. Unanimously approved.

Discussion regarding replacement of 2005 GMC 3500 Truck

There was general discussion regarding the need for a wing plow on the new truck. Bob indicated that the best price with the highest trade-in was from Foster Motors. He also indicated that he would have it serviced at Cross Town in Littleton. Bob made a strong argument that the wing was necessary so that roads could be plowed in one pass rather than twice with a big and small truck. The Board had concerns about the cost and the potential for damage to the truck after talking with the sales and service people. The consensus of the Board was to take the bid from Fosters with service to come from Littleton and to get the Osgood plow and sander package without the wing plow assembly. Motion by Dave McAlister and second by Bob Reagan. Unanimously approved.

Discussion regarding purchase of recycling compactor

Samson reviewed a quote for a used compactor from Texas for \$4,500 plus freight of \$1,500 for a total of \$6,000. An additional \$3,000-\$4,000 will be needed to build a block wall and install the electrical. Samson noted that the savings annually will be about \$16,000. Motion by Dave McAlister to spend up to \$6,000 for the compactor after the transfer station tractor is operational again. Second by Bob Reagan. Unanimously approved.

Motion by McAlister to adjourn at 8:35 AM with second by Reagan. Unanimously approved.

Scott Borthwick, Chairman

Robert Reagan

David McAlister
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