

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, April 5, 2016**

Chairman, Scott Borthwick called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Conference Room. In attendance were Selectmen Scott Borthwick, Bob Reagan, David McAlister, and TA Mike Samson. Others: Bob Scott, Phil Salvail, and Al Posnanski.

Minutes

Dave McAlister moved to approve the minutes of 3/15/16 and 3/22/16. Second by Bob Reagan. Unanimously approved.

Budget v. Actual

There was a review of the expenditures with general discussion but no significant issues. Samson was asked to check on Emergency Management and Mechanic Repairs. Bob Scott asked that he be allowed to order the new one ton. The Board indicated that it would not be paid for before June. Bob indicated that he just wanted to order it now, not pay for it now. Samson indicated that Bob and Bayne and he had reviewed the financials and decided that they would free up money in chloride, gravel, signs, salt, contracted services, supplies and mowing to cover an anticipated \$7,000 shortfall in repairs for the year and \$7,000 needed for Bob's one ton truck. Samson asked if there was an agreement on the truck between Bob and Bayne. Bob indicated that there was. The consensus of the Board was to authorize the order of the truck with a June payment and the purchase order was signed.

Batten Drive Way

Samson reviewed the proposal to fix the drainage problem at Batten's property on Codfish. The first step will be to put a catch basin and culvert from the west side of Hemlock to the east and over the bank into the woods. The next step will be to berm the detention basin on the up hill part of Batten's property. The next step would be to build up the elevation of the Batten driveway. A catch basin would be installed on the west side of Furman's driveway to pass water to the east side of the driveway into the woods. The Board agreed to the plan by consensus.

Tax Abatements, Tax Forebearance and Water & Sewer Abatement

Samson reviewed the plans for a tax abatement for Cobbin (delayed receipt), Tax Forebearance for Tatem and the water and sewer forbearance for Ward. By consensus, the Board approved the receipt of the abatement application and the two forbearance agreements.

Junk Yard

Ritchie Wheeler's application for a junk yard permit was considered. Selectman McAlister moved to approve the application, seconded by Bob Reagan and it was unanimously passed.

Board of Adjustment Appointment

Selectman McAlister moved to re-appoint Mike Roy to the Board of Adjustment, seconded by Bob Reagan and it was unanimously passed.

Other Business

Energy Conservation Grant – Wastewater Treatment Plant

Samson reviewed an application for an energy audit and application for energy improvements to reduce usage and costs at the wastewater treatment facility. The consensus of the Board was to submit the application for an audit and energy conservation measures.

Police Department Grants

Samson reviewed a \$9,800 grant application for a radar unit and mobile data unit for the police department and a \$6,669 grant for DWI patrols. The Board had questions about the radar grant. Chief Frank will be asked to explain the radar grant at the next meeting.

At 6:33 PM Selectman Reagan moved to enter executive session. Dave McAlister seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

At 6:54 PM Selectman McAlister moved to exit executive session, seconded by Bob Reagan and it was unanimously passed.

At 6:54 Selectman McAlister moved to seal the minutes. Bob Reagan seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

Motion by Reagan to adjourn at 6:54 PM with second by McAlister. Unanimously approved.

Scott Borthwick, Chairman

Robert Reagan

David McAlister
Canaan Board of Selectmen