

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, May 15, 2018**

Scott Borthwick called the open meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Canaan Selectmen Conference Room. In attendance were Selectmen Scott Borthwick, Dave McAlister and Al Posnanski and TA Mike Samson. Others included Chief Sam Frank, Leeann and Mark Wilson.

Minutes 4/17/18.

Selectman McAlister moved to approve the minutes for 4/17/18. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

Budget v. Actual

We will be using the one time block grant to cover part of the highway cost over-runs. Also discussed was painting by Collins, the elections trailer, paving at the senior center (approximately \$25,000) and the coverage of these items by a reduction in health insurance cost.

Police Contract

Sam explained the proposed use of the state and federal grant money for overtime work controlling opioids. There would no extra cost to the Town. Selectman Al Posnanski moved to approve the grant. Dave McAlister seconded the motion and McAlister and Posnanski voted in favor and Borthwick voted against.

Cross walk

Leeann Wilson asked that the Town paint a cross walk between the Catholic Church parking lot and the sidewalk in front of the Elementary School at a location acceptable to the Town and the School Principal. She also asked that the one way signs at the west end of School Street be worded the same to avoid confusion. The consensus of the Board was to approve both requests.

Gazebo

Samson asked what the Board wanted to do about painting the gazebo. There is \$1,700 in the government buildings budget for that purpose. Canaan Hardware is willing to contribute the paint. The consensus of the Board was to NOT paint the gazebo nor spend money on the gazebo.

Dogs on Beach

Samson noted that there was a rule forbidding dogs on the beach which the community is ignoring. He asked that we post the whole beach-museum property against dogs to reduce canine defecation and prevent dog fights. He asked for permission to post signs at the entry way. He indicated that people are taking pictures of the residents using the beach as a dog park. He also asked that the area be posted against parking after 11 PM. The consensus of the Board was to authorize the posting notices and the signs.

Shipping Container

Samson indicated that JR was interested in a shipping container for storage of electronics. Samson indicated that there are two different proposals. Fred Hammond will have a shipping container soon that he wants to trade for a roll-off box. They are comparable in value. The Board indicated that they were amenable to trading an older roll-off box. Samson indicated that we may be better off just buying it from Fred. The other option is to buy one from NRRA with a 20% grant from NRRA but it is likely that the net cost is higher than Fred's. Samson was authorized to bring back a proposal once the numbers were known.

Dump Picking

Samson asked that dump picking be allowed on a first come, first served basis provided that the party pay the scrap value of the metal. The Board's consensus was to NOT allow dump picking citing safety issues, problem with first come, first served, and cash management.

Water/Sewer

Samson reported on the water main break at Williams Field.

At 6:35 PM Selectman Al Posnanski moved to enter non-public meeting to discuss delinquent tax issues.

At 7:00 McAlister moved to exit non-public meeting, seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

At 7:01 Selectman Posnanski moved to seal the minutes. McAlister seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

Selectman McAlister moved to approve the proposed forbearance agreement for Olisky. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

At 7:04 PM Selectman Al Posnanski moved to adjourn. Second by Dave McAlister. Unanimously approved.

Scott Borthwick, Chairman

David McAlister

Al Posnanski
Canaan Board of Selectmen