

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, December 4, 2018**

Scott Borthwick called the open meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Selectmen's Conference Room under the Library. In attendance were Selectmen Scott Borthwick, Dave McAlister and Al Posnanski and TA Mike Samson. Others: Matt Wilson, Robert Scott and John Coffey.

Minutes

Dave McAlister moved to approve the minutes of 11/20/18. Second by Al Posnanski. Unanimous approval.

Purchase of Chipper

Bob Scott asked for authorization to buy the chipper as recommended. It was voter approved and in the CIP budget. Consensus of the Board was to sign the purchase order when presented.

Canaan Ambulance

General review of business points to date.

Water Supply Project

John spoke to a proposal to develop a new water supply (well) and pressurize the system and replace the primary water line from the plant to the Village and from the Village to Graceville Road. The project would be a combination of loan and grant. The cost was estimated at \$555,000. John was asked to look at other water source options that were closer to the water plant, figure out how to assure it was a suitable supply before building it, and focus on water main replacement. It was noted that there is very little in reserves to put towards the project.

Water Abatement

Recommendation was to reduce Kirstead's water bill to \$65 due to a leak in the new line that was installed as part of the meter replacement project five years ago. Dave McAlister moved to approve the abatement. Second by Al Posnanski. Unanimous approval.

Assessor Change

The change in assessors is stalled since Avitar declined to pick us up.

Other Business

Winter wear was discussed.

The Town boot and winter wear policy was changed again. Annual boots will be reimbursed up to \$200 per year. Only one pair will be reimbursed per year for all highway workers (mechanic exempt). The winter allowance is for a rolling 5 year period rather than six years. If an employee leaves for any reason, they are required to return purchased winter wear.

Deliberative Session

The deliberative session will be held at 9 AM on February 9th at the Elementary School.

At 6:37 PM, Selectman McAlister moved to enter non-public session to discuss contractual negotiations. Posnanski seconded and motion passed unanimously.

At 7:12 McAlister moved to exit non-public meeting. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

At 7:12 Selectman P o s n a n s k i moved to seal the minutes. McAlister seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

At 7:12 PM Selectman Al Posnanski moved to adjourn. Second by Dave McAlister. Unanimously approved.

Scott Borthwick, Chairman

David McAlister

Al Posnanski
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