

## **SELECTBOARD MEETING**

### **MINUTES**

**August 23, 2021**

- I. OPEN MEETING – Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr., opened the August 23, 2021, Selectboard meeting at 5:55PM. Those present: Haven Haynes, Jr., Frank Sawicki, Jr., Alfred Buckley, Noreen Labrecque, Richard Thibeault, Jeff Noyes and two members of the Canaan Community Forest Committee, Chris Masson, and Yvan Doyon.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On a motion by Frank and seconded by Al the August 9<sup>th</sup> and Special Meetings on August 18, 2021, meeting minutes were approved.
- III. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – Opening Bids for Truck and Winter Sand.
- IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS –
  1. Canaan Community Forest – The Selectboard requested that the Canaan Community Forest Committee meet with them concerning the new access road to the Forest. Chris Masson and Yvan Doyon were present. Chris explained that he asked Laurent Rancourt to do the repairs last June, but Laurent forgot about it. Chris will contact Laurent to make the necessary repairs.
- V. REPORT FROM HIGHWAY –
  1. Plowing for School – Richard spoke to the Facility Coordinator at the Canaan Schools and was informed of a plan to enclose the playground area with fencing. Richard express concerns with where to push the snow this winter if the fence is right where they have been plowing the snow in the past. Frank stated that concern should be brought before the School Board.
  2. Structures grant – Proposal from Dubois and King – The Selectboard reviewed the Proposal for Professional Bridge Engineering Services from Dubois and King Inc. On a motion by Al and seconded by Frank, Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. executed the proposal for the Town of Canaan.
  3. Richard asked if he should block off School Street as has been done in the past for this weekend's Moose Festival. Jeff said he should.
  4. WINTER SAND BID: Two bids received. One from Laurent Rancourt and the other from Clark Jeffers. Laurent Rancourt bid \$8.50/yd and Clark Jeffers bid \$7.60/yd. On a motion by Al and seconded by Frank the Selectboard unanimously approved Clark Jeffers bid.
  5. INTERNATIONAL TRUCK BID: Three bids were received. Michael Collins, Clark Jeffers, and Fred Smith. Clark Jeffers bid was the highest. On a motion by Frank and seconded by Al the Selectboard unanimously approved the bid from Clark Jeffers.

6. Richard reported that he will be taking the Ford down to Lewis and Woodard for repairs.

VI. REPORT FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT –

1. Incident report – signatures – Richard read through the report and signed.
2. WWTF Inspection Report – Board reviewed. No action taken.

VII. SOLID WASTE –

1. Grant – request for reimbursement – Noreen will put together the documents necessary for the Food Waste Grant reimbursement once all documents are available.
2. Overhead doors need to be fixed – Motion was made by Al and seconded by Frank to contact Troy Overhead Doors to make the necessary repairs on the doors. Motion carried in the affirmative unanimously.
3. Review C&D prices – The board reviewed the decline in revenue and increase in expenditures for the C&D Container. In May the price per ton for disposal increased from \$57.00/ton to \$62.50/ton. The board found that the increase cost for disposal has been costing the town rather than sustaining with our present price per cu. Yd. On a motion by Al and seconded by Frank the board unanimously approved increasing the cost per yard to cover the cost of disposal.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS –

1. Cemetery Deed – The Selectboard executed the Cemetery Deed.
2. NEK Broadband – No action
3. Library Trustee recommendation – A letter of recommendation was sent to the Selectboard by the Library Trustees for replacing the Trustee who resigned. On a motion by Frank and seconded by Al the Selectboard unanimously Appointed Suzanne Phinney to replace Kate Larose.
4. Chimney repair – The Chimney repair will be completed.
5. ½ ARPA funds received – what to do with funds – No action on this.

IX. OLD BUSINESS –

1. Call out Policy – Board reviewed and will adjust for the next meeting

X. OTHER BUSINESS –

1. A few Agencies requested the Selectboard give them a pass due to the continued presence of the COVID virus, for collecting the required signatures in order to be included on the Town Warning for 2022. On a motion by Al and seconded by Frank the Selectboard denied this request and will still require the 5% of the voter checklist to sign a petition.
2. Noreen priced out the lettering to replace the broken lettering on the Town office building. On a motion by Frank and seconded by Al the board approved 8” lettering for CANAAN and 4” lettering for COMMUNITY OFFICE BUILDING.

XI. SORT MAIL/SIGN WARRANT – Selectboard read through various mail. Executed Warrant #17-21 in the amount of \$37,871.58.

XII. ADJOURN MEETING – On a motion by Frank, Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. adjourned the August 23, 2021, Selectboard meeting at 7:35PM.