

## SELECTBOARD MEETING

### MINUTES

June 3, 2019

- I. OPEN MEETING – The June 3, 2019 Selectboard meeting was opened by Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. at 6:00PM. Those present: Haven Haynes, Jr., Gregory Noyes, Frank Sawicki, Jr., Noreen Labrecque, Richard Thibeault. Members of the Public: Will Veve, Richard Norris, Robert and Pauline Couture, Fred and Lucille Cunningham, Shellie Forkey, Haze and Kathy Smith, Claude and Sylvie Roy, Gail Fisher, Yvan Belleville. (NOTE: Morgan Wade via telephone conference).
  
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion was made by Greg and seconded by Frank to approve the May 6, 2019 Selectboard meeting minutes.
  
- III. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – Financial Management – signature needed  
Email K. Spitzner – Haven will follow up on this  
Grant-In-Aid Roads Program – Letter of Intent – Motion was made by Greg and seconded by Frank to sign the Letter of Intent to NVDA for the Grant-In-Aid Roads Program. Document was executed by the board.  
Contract for Services with Devost- Board executed the Contract for Services between Devost Sugarhouse, Inc. and the town for the culvert replacement on Jackson Lodge Road.
  
- IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS -
  1. ATV Club – No show
  2. Post Office Boxes on Canaan Hill Road – The residents from Canaan Hill were in to discuss the placement of the new Post Office Box on Canaan Hill Road. Richard Norris stated that the placement was done without his permission or knowledge. He would like it moved as it is in the way when he backs his hay trailer up and it is where he charges his electric fence. It will also be in the way during the winter months for winging back the snow banks as it is located in a narrow portion of the town road. The other concern with the location is a safety issue for both the residents using the boxes and the delivery person. After much discussion, the residents agreed to set up a meeting with the Postmaster Michelle Lassonde to come up with a solution.
  3. Group Net – Will Veve was in from OP Solar, LLC to answer the questions raised by Town Attorney Bill Davies with regard to the Group Net Metering Agreement between OP Solar, LLC and the Town of Canaan. After reviewing the document thoroughly with the Selectboard, a motion was made by Gregory and seconded by Frank to approve signing the agreement with the changes indicated. Mr. Veve will have a new Agreement written up and forward it to the Selectboard for their signature.

4. Yvan Belleville was in to express his ideas on waste disposal in the Town of Canaan. The Board will take under advisement.
5. Gail Fisher was in to discuss a personnel issue. Morgan Wade was included via telephone conference.  
IN: Motion was made by Frank and seconded by Gregory to go into Executive Session for this discussion at 7:20PM.  
OUT: Motion was made by Gregory and seconded by Frank to exit the Executive Session at 7:45PM.  
ACTION TAKEN: Board will consult with Town Attorney and VLCT on this matter.

V. REPORT FROM HIGHWAY –

1. Fix catch basin on East Street – Richard stated that the catch basin on East Street has been fixed.
2. Hudson/Old County Road signs – The Selectboard and Richard discussed a solution for the issue of Hudson Road and Old County Road to avoid liability for the Town of Canaan should someone proceed over the Lemington section of the road which has become unpassable. A “Dead End” sign will be placed at the beginning and end of both Hudson Road from Todd Hill to the Lemington Line and Old County Road from Clay Brook Road to Lemington Line.
3. Schedule – part 2 or ride around – The Ride Around has been completed.
4. D Begin road issues – Greg will follow up with Eric Pope on this.

VI. REPORT FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT –

1. Brian’s training/testing – Brian has completed the training and passed the exam for the State of Vermont Pollution Abatement Facility Operator.
2. Gregory stated that Richard will need to add gravel to shoulders on Treatment Plant Road again.

VII. SOLID WASTE –

1. Stump Dump – Gregory reported that there was some painted wood dumped off at the Stump Dump. He has spoken to the individual in charge.
2. Gregory stated that the town is running out of room at the Stump Dump and will need to be careful with what is being brought in. Greg will inform the attendant of this.
3. Gregory also asked the board to approve the purchase of the used container from Stephan Inkel for the Tire storage. The price being \$2,600 for the container and \$93.00 for delivery. Motion was made by Frank and seconded by Haven and passed unanimously to purchase the container with delivery.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS –

1. Community Forest – truck stuck- access road – Noreen reported that she attended the Forest Committee Meeting last week. She stated that the committee is concerned that no word has been received from M. Daley with regards to the Easement required per the Agreement in order for the new access road to be built. The Forest Committee

stated that after this past winter, the upper portion of road on the town land has become unpassable and will need ditching, gravel and maybe culverts. The Community Forest account has limited funds with no future income expected so they have to decide where the funds should be spent.

2. School house rehabs – No action or discussion
3. Northern Borders Dispatch Amendment #3 – Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. read the amendment to the board for their approval. On a motion by Greg and seconded by Frank the Selectboard approved and signed the Northern Borders Dispatch Amendment #3.
4. ATV's on Collins land – Mrs. Collins was in and spoke to Diana about the ATV's driving past their house and in the past some ATV'ers have used their land to have lunches and left their garbage behind.

IX. OLD BUSINESS – no action

X. OTHER BUSINESS –

1. Records Retention Policy -
2. Class 4 Highway policy – Motion was made by Gregory and seconded by Frank to adopt the Town of Canaan Class 4 Highway Policy.
3. There is a trailer parked on the shoulder of the road on Hall Stream Road that needs to be moved. The board will compose a letter to the owner.
4. Dangerous Buildings Ordinance – Step 1 completed
5. Haven stated that MCCI will repair the lines leading up to Community Forest from VT RTE 253.
6. NECKA will be hosting a community garden this summer

XI. SORT MAIL/SIGN WARRANT - \$49,125.81

XII. ADJOURN MEETING – Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. adjourned the June 3, 2019 Selectboard meeting at 8:40PM on a motion by Greg and seconded by Frank.