

Canaan Carrier

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APRIL 2018

FIRE PERMITS

No person shall kindle or authorize to kindle a fire in the open air for the purpose of burning brush, weeds, grass or rubbish of any kind except where there is snow in the site, without permission from the Canaan Fire Warden. Persons in violation are subject to fines pursuant to 10 V.S.A. Ch. 83 §2645.

Vernon Crawford, Canaan Fire Warden

802-266-8277

BLOOD DRIVE CANAAN HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2018

11:30 AM TO 5:00 PM

Sponsors by The Steering Committee

May 5, 2018

Be safe out there on Green Up Day!



Wear brightly colored clothes, sensible shoes, gloves, and sunscreen. **Be tick smart!** Wear long pants, avoid tall grass, and check for ticks when you arrive home.

Contact the Green Up Coordinator

Renee Marchesseault for information

802-266-3906

DOG LICENSES

Did you remember to license your dog by April 1st.

If you did not the Animal Control Officer will be visiting you shortly.

If you no longer own your pet contact the Town, so your name will be removed.



CLEANUP OF EXCREMENT

Responsibility for cleanup of excrement. The owner of any animal shall be responsible for the prompt removal of any excreta deposited by his or her animal(s) off the owners premises. Failure to remove such excreta shall be considered a violation of the ordinance. The fine for a violation of this section of the ordinance shall be \$50 with a waiver fee of \$25. A written warning shall be issued for the first violation of this section of the ordinance.

LEASH LAW

Responsibility for Leash Law: "At large" shall be intended to mean off the premises of the owner, and not immediately under the control of the owner or a member of the immediate family either by leash, cord, chain or otherwise. Failure to follow the leash law shall be considered a violation of the ordinance.

2018 Town Meeting

We want to thank the Canaan High School Choir for singing the National Anthem and the Class of 2020 for providing a delicious meal before the town meeting and the Key Club for providing child sitting services for attendees at the town meeting.

The selectboard appreciates the towns support for the budget and your feedback on any concerns that you may have relative to the town.

There were several concerns that we are addressing that came up at the town meeting:

1. **Bidding out jobs.** We acquired a Contract for Services template from VLCT (Vermont Leagues of Cities and Towns). It is highly recommended by VLCT that all towns have some sort of contract with any contracted labor in order to cover the town from any potential liabilities. The board has reviewed the document and agreed to adopt the Contract for Services for any and all contracted labor in the Town of Canaan.
2. **School Walk Way Safety.** It was brought to our attention at the town meeting about safety issues for students and parents walking to and from school during the winter months. We are coordinating our efforts with the school board, community and the state to come up with a solution that best fits and fixes our traffic issues and provides safe access to and from school.

Other projects that we will be working on for 2018:

1. Meet ACT 148 requirements to provide a drop off site at the transfer station for food wastes and a site for composting the food wastes. This needs to be done by May 13, 2018.
2. Complying with Act 64 - Created in 2015 - the Vermont Clean Water Act Relating to Improving Quality of State Waters.
 - a. Towns are required to implement customized, multi - year municipal plans to stabilize their road drainage systems. Road erosion inventories and implementation plans will be due in mid-2020 and revised every 5 years thereafter.
3. Continue to review and update town polices and ordinances.
4. Repairs to the town Garage.
5. Completing the installation of the grinders for the wastewater treatment plant and the telemetry system for both the water and sewer systems.
6. Purchase a new backhoe. The current backhoe is 18 years old and is starting to require more repairs to keep it in service. With the clean water act we will be required to do more ditching.
7. Complete LED Lighting Project.

CHIEF'S CORNER

Happy Spring !! The only way we know it's spring is because of the frost heaves certainly not the weather. Keep in mind that with the increased daylight there will be melting and freezing causing roadways to become icy. Please drive with care.

Another friendly reminder to **STOP** at the posted stop sign on Route 253 and River Road in Beecher Falls. You risk fines up to \$214 for failing to stop.

I'd like to touch base on underage drinking and hosting parties and the consequences of those actions. Any person under the age of 21 who possess or consumes alcohol can face fines up to \$300 dollars and could potentially a loss of license. Keep in mind with the up rise in social media that videos posted online can be used as evidence.

§ 656. Person under 21 years of age misrepresenting age, procuring, possessing, or consuming alcoholic beverages; civil violation.

(a)(1) Prohibited conduct. A person under 21 years of age shall not:

(A) Falsely represent his or her age for the purpose of procuring or attempting to procure malt or vinous beverages, spirits, or fortified wines from any licensee, State liquor agency, or other person or persons.

(B) Possess malt or vinous beverages, spirits, or fortified wines for the purpose of consumption by himself or herself or other minors, except in the regular performance of duties as an employee of a licensee licensed to sell alcoholic liquor.

(C) Consume malt or vinous beverages, spirits, or fortified wines. A violation of this subdivision may be prosecuted in a jurisdiction where the minor has consumed malt or vinous beverages, spirits, or fortified wines or in a jurisdiction where the indicators of consumption are observed.

(2) Offense. A person under 21 years of age who knowingly violates subdivision (1) of this subsection commits a civil violation and shall be referred to the Court Diversion Program for the purpose of enrollment in the Youth Substance Abuse Safety Program. A person who fails to complete the program successfully shall be subject to:

(A) a civil penalty of \$300.00 and suspension of the person's operator's license and privilege to operate a motor vehicle for a period of 30 days, for a first offense; and

(B) a civil penalty of not more than \$600.00 and suspension of the person's operator's license and privilege to operate a motor vehicle for a period of 90 days, for a second or subsequent offense.

Parents or homeowners who allow such activity knowingly or not can be subject to imprisonment of not more than two years or fines up to \$2,000.

§ 1301. Contributing to juvenile delinquency

A person who causes, encourages, or contributes to the delinquency of a minor shall be imprisoned not more than two years or fined not more than \$2,000.00, or both. (Amended 1971, No. 199 (Adj. Sess.), § 4; 1995, No. 147 (Adj. Sess.), § 2.)

If you have any questions regarding any of these items please feel free to contact me.

Drive safely

Jeffery M Noyes



Canaan Historical Society

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Canaan, Vermont 05903

canvthistsoc@gmail.com

<http://www.canaanvthistoricalsociety.org/>

The first three months of 2018 have been most interesting for us as new items have been added to our collection and many new photographs acquired or scanned. Previously unseen photos of a baseball game played at the Trotting Park were scanned in January. No names or dates were included but the picture was taken from such an angle that numerous landmark buildings were visible to validate the location. The absence of the original Canaan House or its successor, the New Canaan House, date the game as late 1930s, when Canaan had a town team sponsored by the Knights of Pythias. Accounts of games, and advertisements for games to be played, have been found in newspapers from 1937 and 1938. Ascertaining the years of the vehicles in the picture would further help date the photo.

Two scrapbooks full of newspaper articles from 1944 and 1945 have been donated and provide some insight to local happenings during the latter stages of World War II. More items of interest can be found in early issues of the Border News, a newspaper published in Canaan from about 1917 until it was bought by the Colebrook Sentinel and became the News and Sentinel. A number of these have been donated by two individuals and we are very happy to have them. Surviving copies are very rare and not usually in good condition so we are pleased whenever they appear. If you should find copies while remodeling your house or cleaning your attic, please don't throw them away. Think of us.

We have also provided information to a couple of the elementary grades for an interview project they are doing about the Ethan Allen plant in Beecher Falls. A copy of a documentary about the history and a tour of the factory was also provided, culminating with a "ghost tour" of the current facility on March 16th. Kenny Guay provided a guided tour that explained the various processes to about 30 students and their teachers. The factory has been very important to the towns of the area, and especially Canaan, so we are pleased to see that the students are taking an interest in our past and we are happy to be able to help them.

We have also applied for a grant to enable us to produce a second version of our "Growing Up in the Canaan Area" video that will feature more memories from our interviewees, and possibly some new subjects.

Thank you for your support and check out our Facebook page.

ANNUAL VERMONT HOMESTEAD DECLARATION

Please remember to file your Homestead Declarations and Property Tax Adjustment Claim (FORM HS-122) and Household Income (FORM HI-144) by April 17, 2018 to avoid any late State penalty fees.

These forms must be filed each year by every Vermont resident whose property meets the definition of a homestead. A Vermont homestead is the principal dwelling and parcel of land surrounding the dwelling, owned and occupied by a resident individual as the individual's domicile on April 1. If your homestead is leased to a tenant on April 1, you may still claim it as a homestead if it is not leased for more than 182 days in the 2018 calendar year.

Update on Fire District #1 Projects

The Canaan Fire District #1 Water System Improvements Project (4 Phase upgrade of the entire water system) has gone to bid with Phase 4 of 4 for the Water Treatment Facility. This phase consists of a new water treatment facility building and treatment system that will remove iron, arsenic and manganese from the water supply. The building will be located adjacent to the existing water supply well at the end of Ethan Allen Drive. To date, no decision has been made on the chosen contractor for this phase of the project, however one is expected soon with construction estimated to begin around May 1st, weather dependent.

Additionally, the District, based upon the findings during Phase 1, which replaced most of the water mains and services, is planning to upgrade the water mains on Nathan, Enid and Holmes Street in 2018. In addition to the water mains, we are planning to replace all the water meters and related accessories in 2018.

Lastly, a telemetry (radio control) system will be installed and placed online this summer that allows communication between the water system components of CFD#1 and CFD#2 (storage tanks, supply wells, and water treatment system). The telemetry system will allow better operator control and real time status of all system components, providing better service and reliability to our customers.

Update on Fire District #2 Projects

This summer, in conjunction with a project in CFD#1, a new telemetry system will be installed that will allow the water operations team better control of the water system. The telemetry system project will allow communication between the water system components of CFD#2 and CFD#1 (storage tanks, supply wells, and water treatment system). The old solar-powered telemetry system is not adequate. The new telemetry system will allow better operator control and real time status of all system components, providing better service and reliability to our customers.

CHAIN OF COMMAND

Fire District #1 and Fire District #2

Due to the issue with the water this past weekend, below is a listing of contact information:

FD#1	Canaan	FD#2	Beecher Falls
Jeff Richards	802-431-6066	Tony Wheeler	802-266-7879
Jeremy Labrecque	802-266-3558	Jody Riley	802-266-3688
Norman Labrecque	802-266-3572	Greg Noyes	802-266-3326

They will notify the water operators

Canaan Fire District #1 & #2 Consumer Confidence Report

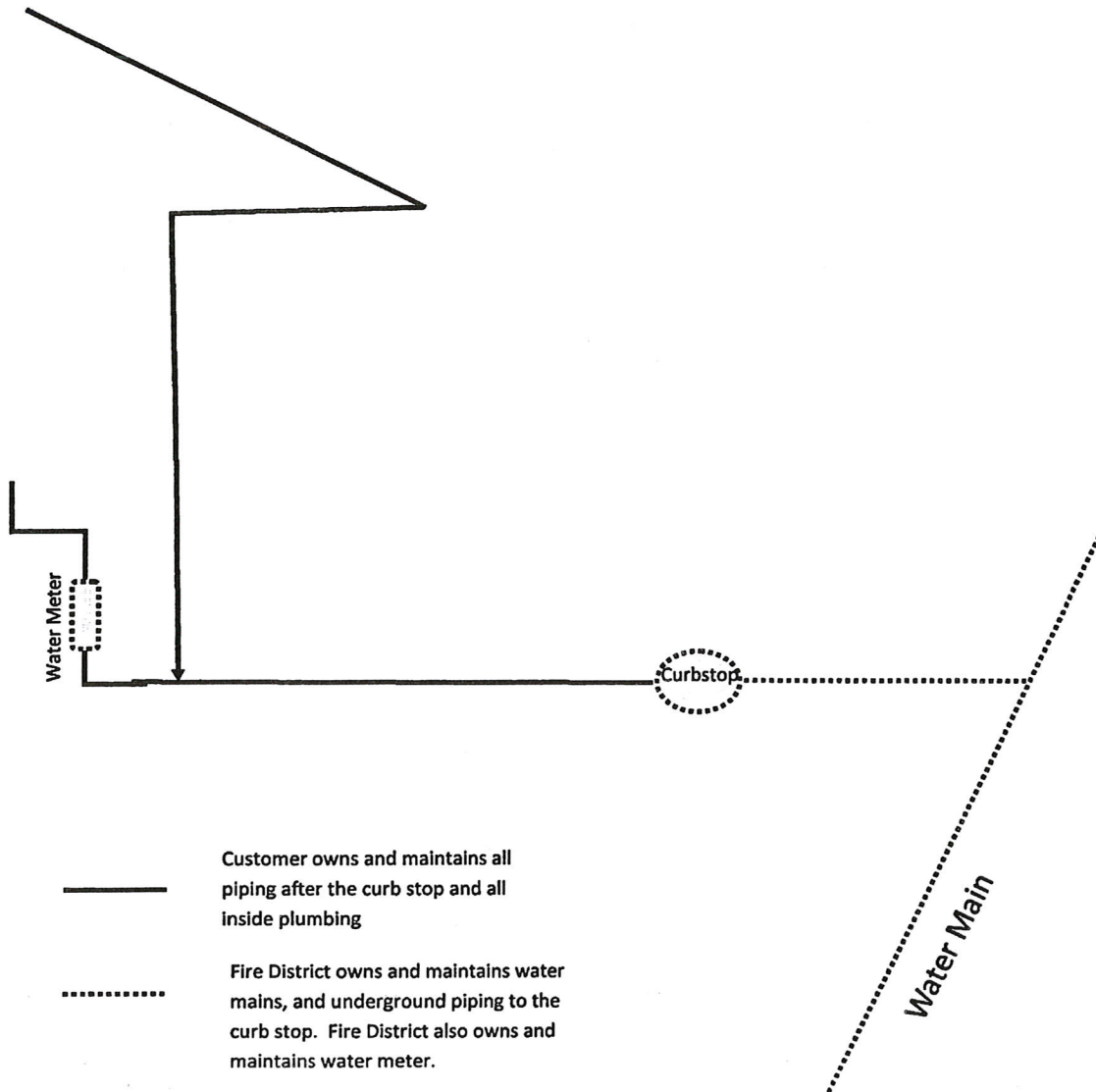
The Consumer Confidence Report can be viewed on our Town website at <http://www.canaan-vt.org>. or you can request a paper copy to be mailed or emailed by calling the Town Office at 802-266-3370.

WATER AND SEWER BILLS

We have received some complaints that residents aren't receiving their water and sewer bills in the mail.

Bills go out quarterly, January, April, July and October and anybody who doesn't receive a bill should call to find out how much is owed or stop at the Town Office to get a copy.

MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY



2018 Canaan & Lemington HHW Event Schedule—CANAAN TRANSFER STATION

May 11th	12:00 PM—4:00 PM
May 12th	8:00 AM—1:00 PM
Sept. 14th	12:00 PM—4:00 PM
Sept. 15th	8:00 AM—1:00 PM

ACCEPTED ITEMS LISTED BELOW:**HOUSEHOLD ITEMS**

Air Fresheners
 Ammonia
 Arts & Craft Supplies
 Bleach
 Cleaners (includes: drain, oven,
 floor, window, rug, etc.)
 Disinfectants
 Metal & Furniture Polish
 Mothballs
 Mercury Thermometers
 Nail Polish/Remover
 Spot and Stain Removers

GARDEN SUPPLIES

Creosote
 Dioxins
 Fertilizers
 Flea Killers
 Fungicides
 Herbicides
 Insect sprays
 Muriatic acid
 No-pest strips
 Pesticides
 Rodent Killers

GARAGE

Antifreeze
 Brake Fluid
 Corrosives
 Car waxes & cleaners
 Engine degreasers
 Gasoline/dry gas
 Kerosene
 Lighter fluid
 Oil based & latex paint
 Paint thinner
 Sealants
 Stains/Strippers
 Swimming pool chemicals
 Transmission fluid
 Wood preservatives

PLEASE DO NOT BRING:

Asbestos
 Asbestos
 Explosives, including gun powder,
 Ammunition
 Flares
 Infectious waste
 Prescription medications
 Radioactive waste, including smoke
 detectors

TRANSFER STATION (ACCEPTED WEEKLY) MUST SEE OPERATOR FOR PROPER DISPOSAL

Used motor oil/filters, used cooking oil, fluorescent light bulbs/CFL's, lead—acid car batteries, propane cylinders and electronics

Alice M. Ward Memorial Library

The library had a very successful program with the Vermont Institute of Natural Sciences who brought three raptors along to educate and entertain the forty people in attendance, including many children. The red-tailed hawk was very popular, particularly when it spread its wings wide or, surprisingly, drooled! The presenter was knowledgeable and engaging and we look forward as always to having them back.

I have been very active in collaborating with Canaan Schools. The school librarian and I have been visiting each other's libraries to read to grades K-3 as part of the state's Red Clover book awards. I read to older children once and soon to be twice a week as part of the state's Dorothy Canfield Fisher award while we encourage those grades to read as many of those books as they can. Additionally, our oral history project focusing on the Ethan Allen factory has led to collaboration with upper elementary grades. All of those grades will visit the library to hear, while I record, Walter Noyes and several others talk about their time working at the factory. They all toured the factory itself on another day and 5th grade interviewed grandparents who worked there for years. I have also interviewed several older community members (91 and 95) who worked there for years and had many fascinating stories to tell of World War 2.

I hope everyone saw my letter in the Chronicle about the inaccurate budget report. If not, we did not raise our budget by \$13,000. We raised our book budget by \$1,000, bringing our book budget to an annual total of \$13,000. Our tax request to you went up by only \$1,700. We also separated out a lump sum budget amount to individual items so that local residents can see exactly how their tax money is spent.

Our First Lego League robotics team started again on Tuesday March 20 with a live Skype chat with a NASA JPL robotics engineer named Christine Fuller. She showed her robots to the kids, shared her work stories and it was a tremendous introduction to the new robotics year. Last year we had five members of the team and this year we started with ten. We look forward to another fun year of coding, building and learning.

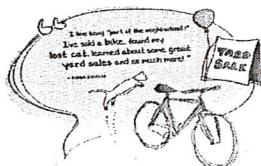
Craig Varley Librarian

Your neighbors are talking.
Join the conversation
Sign up today for



Dozens of your neighbors are
subscribing now!

- Organize a block party.
- Report a car break-in.
- Find your lost cat or dog.
- Recommend a babysitter.
- Sell a bike or canoe.
- Connect with your neighbors.



STUMP DUMP

Opens Saturday, May 5, 2018 and closes October 27, 2018

Open the 2nd week on Wednesday only.

Check out the newsletter calendars for scheduled dates.

Hours of operation 8:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

TOWN OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

APRIL 3, 2018

MAY 28, 2018

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICER

Pests in and around our homes can be a nuisance. Pests include insects (e.g. cockroaches, bed bugs, wasps, and garden bugs), rodents (e.g. mice and rats), and weeds. The pesticides, or chemicals, we use to treat pests can cause serious health problems. Pesticides can contaminate our indoor environment, cause and trigger allergies and asthma, and be especially dangerous to children, pregnant women, and pets.

Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is a safer, effective, and environmentally friendly method used to control pests that is based on common-sense principles and science. This method focuses on minimizing the use of hazardous pesticides by first using knowledge of the life cycles of pests and how they interact with their environment to figure out the best ways to control the problem. If chemicals must be used, safer pesticides are chosen.

Be very cautious about using pesticides yourself. Pesticides can be hazardous to people and pets. If you choose to use a pesticide, or a licensed pest control professional suggests you use one, follow these precautions:

- Only use pesticides clearly labeled for the type of pest you want to get rid of. Never use a pesticide that does not list the pest on the label.
- Never use a product that is labelled for “outdoor use only” indoors.
- Follow label instructions exactly.
- Never spray pesticides on top of mattresses or sofas, or in areas where children or pets are present.
- Never purchase or use a product without a manufacturer’s label and never buy pesticides from street vendors.
- Avoid using “insecticide bombs” and “foggers” in your home. These products can spread hazardous chemicals throughout your home. The Department of Housing and Urban Development has more information on [IPM and Safe Pest Control](#) (link is external).

Bed Bugs

Bed bugs are small insects that feed on human blood. They are usually active at night when people are sleeping. Adult bed bugs have flat, rusty-red-colored oval bodies. About the size of an apple seed, they are big enough to be easily seen, but often hide in cracks in furniture, floors, or walls. When bed bugs feed, their bodies swell and become brighter red. They can live for several months without food or water.



Deep roots connecting families, friends, and neighbors

Across all borders and communities

Sharing, Engaging, Supporting

"The Canaan Heart & Soul Team hosted its second Heart & Soul Community Summit on Saturday, March 3, to get the community's feedback and input on five issues: Education, Recreation, Economic Development, Events, and Community. These areas of interest were gleaned from over 180 index cards that visitors and locals filled out over the last 2 years. The question on the index cards was 'What matters most to Canaan?' The Summit, held in the Canaan School gymnasium, was attended by community people representing a wide range of ages. All took an enthusiastic interest in developing statements that represent each of the five areas listed.

The Canaan Heart & Soul Team, and its efforts, are supported by funding from The Neil and Louise Tiltonson Fund / New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, the Orton Family Foundation, as well as local funds. The Team meets the first Thursday of every month and is hard at work throughout the year making a positive change in the greater Canaan community."

THANK YOU

A special thank you to the participants that attended our Canaan Heart & Soul Community Summit that was held on March 3, 2018. This event was, once again, a success, and we hope all who participated enjoyed it as much as we did. Also a special thank you to all that provided food and supplies, donated food and door prizes and the Canaan Schools for the use of their facility.

CANAAN COMMUNITY HEART AND SOUL

COMMUNITY SUMMIT DOOR PRIZE WINNERS

April's Maple Gift Basket	Norman Flanagan
Chronological History of Canaan, Vermont	Marcus Lapierre
The Starling God	Teisha Knaub
We Remember Growing Up in the Canaan Area	Joey Flanagan
\$50 Gift Certificate Time Out Tavern	Connie Roy
\$50 Gift Certificate Spa Restaurant	Jared Carr

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THE CANAAN RECREATION PARK COMMITTEE

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FAMILY ORIENTED



APRIL 14, 2018

CANAAN HIGH SCHOOL GYM

7:00 PM

\$5.00 ADULTS

\$4.00 SENIOR CITIZENS

\$3.00 CHILDREN

CHILDREN UNDER 3 FREE



HERE IS A CHANCE TO SHOW OFF YOUR TALENT!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR:



SINGERS ★ DANCERS ★ MUSICIANS ★ MAGICIANS ★ COMEDIANS ★ JUGGLERS ★
ACTORS ★ MARTIAL ARTS AND SPORTS DEMONSTRATIONS ★ AND THE SLIGHTLY
UNUSUAL

ALL TOWNS WELCOME!

SIGN UP BY MARCH 31ST BY CALLING 802-266-8602 OR 802-266-3370

All performers will receive an Award

Proceeds will go towards maintaining the park



3 v 3 Basketball Tournaments

WHEN: MAY 26, 2018 SIGN UP: 9:00 AM TO 10:00 AM

TOURNEY STARTS AT 10:00 AM

WHERE: CANAAN RECREATION PARK, CANAAN, VT

IF RAINING: WILL BE HELD IN CANAAN HIGH SCHOOL GYM

AGES: 15 AND UP ENTRY FEE: \$10 PER PERSON MAX PER TEAM 5

CONTACT/RSVP: Raj Hailey at roybailey747@yahoo.com or 802-266-9156

FOOD AND DRINKS FOR SALE

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT: CANAAN RECREATION PARK

**Soccer & Nerf-style
Tournaments and
Movies in the Park**

Watch for details in the next
newsletter.