

CANAAN FIRE DISTRICT #1
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 13, 2026

Moderator Morgan Wade opened the Canaan Fire District #1 Annual Meeting at 5:30 PM. Those present: Jeffery Richards, Al Buckley, Jeremy Labrecque (Prudential Committee) Zachary Brown (Fire District#1 Treasurer), April Busfield (Operator via Zoom) and two members of the general public, Odette Crawford and Noreen Labrecque.

Moderator Wade read through the Warning in its entirety.

ARTICLE 1 – To elect the following officers of Canaan Fire District #1: Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, One Member of the Prudential Committee, to serve until the second Monday of January 2029.

Moderator Wade asked if anyone had a problem with nominations as a slate? No objections.

Motion was made by Jeff and seconded by Al to open nominations. Jeremy Labrecque nominated Noreen Labrecque for Clerk and Treasurer. Jeffery Richards nominated Zachary Brown for Collector of Taxes and Jeffery Richards nominated Al Buckley for One Member of the Prudential Committee, to serve until the second Monday of January 2029. All nominations were accepted. Article 1 passed in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 2 – To see if the Canaan Fire District #1 will authorize the Prudential Committee to borrow for emergency capital expenses and increase the usage rates to cover said cost, if need be.

Motion was made by Jeff and seconded by Al the open discussion on article 2. Jeff Richards stated that this article is routine. No discussion.

Article 2 passed in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 3 – To see if the Canaan Fire District #1 will raise the sum no less than \$5,000 annually for deposit into the Capital Reserve Fund, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. Section 2804(a).

Motion was made by Al and seconded by Jeremy to open discussion on Article 3.

No discussion.

Article 3 passed in the affirmative.

Article 4 – To see if the Canaan Fire District #1 will vote to accept the proposed budget with revisions, if any for the ensuing year.

Motion was made by Al and seconded by Jeremy to open discussion on Article 4.

Jeff Richards stated that the board felt confident with the budget presented.

Odette Crawford asked about the General Expenses line item. Zach explained that they anticipated an increase in service costs for the generator and the cost of propane is also anticipated to increase.

Odette Crawford asked about Materials and Supplies. Zach stated that there are supplies that are running low which need to be replenished. The Insurance line item is increased because the Town has hired a second full time employee to cover Road, Sewer and both Fire Districts so that line item is increased to cover the health insurance for that employee. Zach added that there is a 4% increase in wages.

No further discussion about the budget.

Article 4 passed in the affirmative.

To transact any other business which legally may come before this meeting.

Odette Crawford asked how much is in the Capital Reserve Account? Zach answered \$37,375.47.

No other business took place.

Moderator Wade adjourned the Fire District #1 Annual Meeting at 5:40PM.

Submitted by: Noreen Sabreque Dated: January 15, 2026

Approved by: [Signature] 2/2/2026