TOWN OF CANAAN BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING January 12, 2012 Canaan Fire Station

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Members present: Chair Eleanor Davis; David McAlister; Al Posnanski; Karen Wolk; Martha Pusey; Denis Salvail; Bill Crowther; and Scott Borthwick. Also present were Town Administrator Mike Samson, Selectman Bob Reagan, Selectman Marcia Wilson, and Phillip Salvail.

Eleanor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and took attendance.

MOTION by Dave McAlister and seconded by Denis Salvail to adjourn the budget committee meeting and open the Public Hearing at 7:05 P.M.

VOTE: Unanimous in the affirmative

Eleanor Davis summarized that the purpose of this Public Hearing is to present the proposed 2012 budget. Copies of the budget, the MS-7, the default budget, and the warrant articles were available for distribution.

Committee members took turns summarizing the bottom line total of each department for 2012. Any significant increases or decreases were noted or briefly explained.

Eleanor Davis explained that the contingency funds implemented last year have been added to the specific department budgets for 2012.

Eleanor Davis summarized the warrant articles that will be presented on the ballot. It was noted that the votes for the Budget Committee recommendations need to be corrected on Article 18 and Article 19.

There was general review of the MS-7, which lists the total estimated revenues of \$1,604,934.

Seeing no questions or comments, Eleanor Davis closed the Public Hearing at 7:32 P.M.

Eleanor Davis thanked committee members for her opportunity to serve as the Committee Chair. Eleanor Davis also thanked the Board of Selectmen and Mike Samson for the time and effort spent in preparing the budget in collaboration with the department heads.

Seeing no other business, the Budget Committee was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.