

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

Chairman, Bob Reagan called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. In attendance were Selectmen Robert Reagan, Scott Borthwick, Dave McAlister, and TA Mike Samson. Also in attendance were Bob Scott, Al Posnanski, Bill Bellion, Matt Wilson and Ellie Davis.

Minutes of September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Selectman Borthwick moved to approve the minutes of September 16. Dave McAlister seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Budget vs. Actual

Samson indicated that the budget was essentially unchanged and that the total anticipated surplus was about \$12,000 but will likely be about \$20,000 by year end.

Emergency Operations Plan

There was a brief review of the final Emergency Operations Plan. There was some discussion about the roles of Emergency Management Director and whether two Deputies are needed. It was noted that one is usually in the field and one is on communications and the third will be used to relieve the other two. Selectman McAlister moved to approve the EOP plan and authorize Bob Reagan to sign. Scott Borthwick seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Bob Scott Master Roads Scholar

The Board recognized Bob Scott's achievement of attaining the rank of Master Roads Scholar. This is the highest state training level and requires 100 course hours.

Deposit on Canaan Hall

Samson indicated that with a recent hall rental, there was some damage. His recommendation was to require a deposit equal to the rental for any event that could have decorations or kitchen use or the serving of alcohol. He also asked that the rule be waivable if appropriate. Selectman Borthwick moved to approve the requirement of a waivable deposit equal to the rent as recommended. Dave McAlister seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Private Duty Hiring

Samson noted that it has been past practice to allow the Chief to hire private duty officers as needed. The question was whether those hires had to be approved by the Board. The consensus was that they do not require Board action.

Mascoma Watershed Appointment

Samson asked whether the Board wanted to sign the appointment form for Chuck Townsend. Selectman McAlister moved to sign the nomination form for Chuck Townsend. Scott Borthwick seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Goose Pond bridge Project

Samson reported that the project will not be complete until the end of October. The delay was caused by the utility lines and by a large rock in the area of the east footing for the abutment.

Highway Report

Bob Scott indicated that Goose Pond Road will be paved on October 6 & 7 and that Codfish and Talbert will be ground up on October 16 & 17. Bob also discussed the idea of moving

the flag pole by the Fire Department and buiding a road around the fire station with parking on the east side of the station.

#### Other Business

The Board noted that there were two potential sub-division violations that should be checked.

Selectman Borthwick moved to discuss personnel issues at 7:03. Dave McAlister seconded the motion. Unanimously approved. At 8:25 Selectman Borthwick moved to come out of Executive Session. McAlister seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. At 8:26 PM Selectman Borthwick moved to seal the minutes of the executive session and Selectman McAlister seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made to pay firefighters and others needed at the firefighters rate during actual emergencies made by Scott Borthwick and seconded by Dave McAlister. Unanimously approved.

There was a consensus of the Board to conceptually approve a compensation plan for Sam Frank subject to approval by Frank and final approval by the Board.

Motion by Scott Borthwick to adjourn at 8:30 with second by McAlister. Unanimously approved.

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Robert Reagan, Chairman

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Scott Borthwick

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David McAlister  
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