

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, April 30, 2019**

Scott Borthwick called the open meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Selectmen's Conference Room. In attendance were Selectmen Scott Borthwick, Dave McAlister and Al Posnanski and TA Mike Samson. Others: Bob Scott and John Coffey.

Minutes 4/2&9&16/19

Al Posnanski moved to approve the minutes for all four meetings. Second by McAlister. Unanimous approval.

Gravel Pit Results and Closing

Samson reported that the six test pits indicate gravel and good sand with high quartz content. Selectman McAlister moved to complete the purchase of the Lazowski property for \$185,000. Posnanski seconded and motion passed unanimously. Samson asked the Board for authority to execute all documents necessary for the closing including but not limited to HUD statement and tax documents and anything else needing signature. The payment will be on the next manifest to be signed by the Board and by the Treasurer. Selectman McAlister moved to authorize Michael Samson to execute all documents related to the Lazowski closing except the check which would go through the normal payment process. Posnanski seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Junk Yard & Subdivision Enforcement

Samson reviewed the proposed course of action submitted by Drummond Woodsum for enforcement. There was discussion about how much notice there would be before the first punitive action. It would be a minimum of 60 days. Selectman McAlister moved to approve and start the enforcement process as recommended by Drummond Woodsum. Posnanski seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Status of Construction Waste

Samson reported that Lebanon was not taking any construction waste for at least the next several months. They are still taking bulky waste like furniture and mattresses. Hammond is still taking construction waste.

Welfare Rental Rates

Samson distributed the new rental rate schedule based on current market numbers. Selectman McAlister moved to approve the rate structure attached. Posnanski seconded and motion passed unanimously.

Fairpoint Lawsuit

Samson reported that there was a significant likelihood that the Town would have a judgment against it for \$360,000 for tax appeals from Fairpoint. He is working with Department Heads and Mascoma Bank to spread the repayment over six years in the event of a judgment.

2019 & 2020 budgets and Unassigned Fund Balance

Samson reviewed the plan for future funding of capital reserves and paying off Fairpoint and the anticipated tax increase. The goal is to keep it at a 3% increase in 2019 and 2020.

At 6:55 PM Selectman McAlister moved to enter non-public session to discuss Fairpoint litigation. Posnanski seconded and motion passed unanimously.

At 7:50 PM McAlister moved to exit non-public meeting. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

At 7:51 PM Selectman Posnanski moved to seal the minutes. McAlister seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

At 7:52 PM Selectman Al Posnanski moved to adjourn. Second by Dave McAlister. Unanimously approved.

Scott Borthwick, Chairman

David McAlister

Al Posnanski
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