

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, July 9, 2019**

Scott Borthwick called the open meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the Canaan Meeting House. In attendance were Selectmen Scott Borthwick, Dave McAlister and Al Posnanski and TA Samson. Others: Ed Morse, Bob Scott, Maria Clark, Gayle German, and Dean Vanier.

Minutes: 6/18/19

Motion by McAlister and second by Posnanski to approve the minutes of 6/18.
Unanimous.

Ed Morse – Old Jerusalem Road

Ed Morse requested that the Board warn an article to permanently discontinue the Orange Road end of Old Jerusalem Road that abuts his property starting 50' south of Morse's northeast corner. He indicated that that would still leave access to all of the affected properties by the downhill sloping Class 6 Old Jerusalem Road starting at the new Jerusalem Road end. Morse indicated that he was tired of repairing his end. The Board indicated that they would be willing to warn the request for voter approval in March. Morse was told to prepare a description with Samson. Samson was also directed to check with the affected parties.

Appointment of Maria Clark

Motion by McAlister and second by Posnanski to appoint Maria Clark as an alternate to the Historic District Board. Unanimous.

Sale of Transfer Station property

Samson indicated that the two bid numbers were \$711 from Gerngross and \$1010.01 from Vanier. After the bids were opened, Gerngross offered by email to increase his offer to \$1,422 per acre. Samson indicated that the bid language stated that the Board could reject both bids and then openly negotiate with the two highest bidders. The Board indicated that they felt that Vanier had made an offer within the time limit and directed Samson to negotiate a description of what is to be conveyed and bring it back to the Board for approval. Vanier indicated he wanted to discuss which land would be conveyed and wanted a temporary right of way.

David Johnson

Samson met with Johnson and Dave Johnson indicated what his demand was and that it included Baker paying him and two other abutters the difference in appraised value of the three properties with and without the manufacturing plant located across the street and further included a further requirement that the plant always be operated with the doors closed except to receive and send products and materials. There was little hope that the Company would be agreeable to the payment request.

Gayle German

Samson provided an email from the tenant at the property indicating that he saw the Town plow snow around the well tile with a bucket loader. Bob Scott reported that the tile had been replaced that afternoon. Gayle said she was satisfied.

Bob Scott – Engineering for Goose Pond Road

Bob indicated that State regulations require an engineer to permit and supervise the replacement of certain culverts on Goose Pond Road. Bob has solicited proposals from HEB and Right Angle. Right Angle proposed a price of \$2,000 and HEB proposed a price of \$3,400. The consensus of the Board was to hold off on a decision at this time.

Budget v. Actual

Brief review with no changes.

Other Junkyards and Sub-Divisions

Samson reviewed the progress on junkyards and sub-divisions. The only ones still failing to make any progress are Lewis and Braley. Samson recommended going to the next step in the new enforcement process. The consensus of the Board was to do so.

At 7:10 PM Selectman McAlister moved to enter non-public session to discuss hiring staff. Posnanski seconded and motion passed unanimously.

At 7:47 PM McAlister moved to exit non-public meeting. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

At 7:48 PM Selectman Posnanski moved to seal the minutes. McAlister seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

At 7:48 PM Selectman Al Posnanski moved to adjourn. Second by Dave McAlister. Unanimously approved.

Scott Borthwick, Chairman

David McAlister

Al Posnanski
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