

**CANAAN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, December 1, 2020**

Scott Borthwick called the open meeting to order at 5:00 PM at the Conference Room Under Library. In attendance were Selectmen Scott Borthwick, Dave McAlister, Al Posnanski, and TA Samson. Others: None.

Motion by Dave McAlister and second by Al Posnanski to approve the minutes of 11/17/2020. Unanimous.

Bridges, Grist Mill and EDA

Samson explained that the deterioration of Grist Mill Bridge has accelerated and it needs to be replaced as soon as possible. After several days of review with CR Willeke of NH DOT and Chris Fournier of HEB, it is evident that we can afford to replace Grist Mill in kind and where it is by 2024. He reviewed the final expense reports for FEMA and the net due the Town of Canaan is \$270,689. Everything is complete except for rocks over the force main across Orange Brook. Everything is approved except the rip-rap work which is waiting on a final approval from DES. This is expected very soon. Between prior appropriations, FEMA funds and the bridge Capital Reserve Account, we will have enough for 5 bridges (\$511,000) and still put \$400,000 into the unassigned fund balance.

Stale Check Policy

Samson distributed a proposed policy to impose a Stale Check charge of \$25 for check that was cashed and over 60 days old from date of issuance. McAlister moved to approve the policy. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

Tire Disposal Rate

Samson reported that the disposal charge for tires had increased and he suggested that we need to raise the fee for car tires to \$2.50 and raise the rate for truck and equipment tires. McAlister moved to raise the car tire rate to \$3, the truck tire rate to \$6 and the rate for equipment tires based on size. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

Overtime Policy

There has been some question of how overtime is calculated with authorized paid time off and 10 hour work days. Samson distributed a policy to address the issue. After discussion, McAlister moved to adopt the proposed policy. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

Other Business

Avitar Contract, Dental Insurance and Old Home Days/Town Wide Yard Sale Authorizations

McAlister moved to authorize Samson to sign the listed contracts and authorizations. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

Non-Public

At 5:35 PM Selectman Posnanski moved to enter non-public session for review of litigation, hiring interview and negotiations. McAlister seconded and motion passed unanimously.

At 5:55 PM McAlister moved to exit non-public meeting. Seconded by Posnanski and it was unanimously passed.

At 5:55 PM Selectman Posnanski moved to seal the minutes. McAlister seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

At 5:55 PM Selectman Al Posnanski moved to adjourn. Second by Dave McAlister. Unanimously approved.

Scott Borthwick, Chairman

David McAlister

Al Posnanski
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