

Canaan Budget Committee Meeting
Saturday, February 4, 2023
Mascoma Valley Regional High School

Attendees: Budget Committee Members: John Bergeron, Nate Deleault, Steve Freese, David McAlister, Cindy Neily, Mike Riese, Denis Salvail, Sadie Wells
Budget Committee Members not in attendance: Ellie Davis, Karen Wolk

APPROVED MINUTES

Call to Order:

Committee chair David McAlister called the meeting to order at 4:25PM.

Minutes Approval:

Sadie Wells made a motion which was seconded by Mike Riese to approve the January 11, 2023 & January 12, 2023 minutes.

Discussion: January 11 minutes-The vote count is correct on Article 24 and Article 25 however, Mike Riese voted in favor, and Nate Deleault abstained. Article 22 the vote tally was 4-3-2.
January 11 minutes unanimously approved as amended.

Discussion: Hue Weatherbee's name is spelled incorrectly on the January 12 minutes. **Minutes approved as amended by all voting members with one abstention (Salvail)**

Vote on Articles which were amended at Deliberative Session:

Article 8 Replacement for Backhoe: Amended to be titled: Purchase of Mini Excavator. The body of article amended to specify purchase of mini excavator and remove language referencing replacement of backhoe. **This article is recommended 5-3-0 (Deleault, McAlister & Salvail opposed)**

Article 9 Replacement for Bulldozer: Dollar amount amended to \$1.00. **This article is recommended 5-3-0 (Bergeron, Deleault & Riese opposed)**

Article 10 Replacement for Skid Steer Loader: Dollar amount amended to \$1.00. **This article is recommended 5-3-0 (Bergeron, Deleault & Riese opposed)**

Article 11 Purchase Enclosed Trailer for Fire Department UTV. This article was amended to remove the size of the trailer, and to add "staging or rehab" as uses for the trailer. There was discussion by committee members expressing concerns that this equipment will be added to the CIP, and as such, should be part of the capital planning process before it is purchased. **This article is not recommended 8-0-0.**

Adjournment: Denis Salvail made a motion which was seconded by John Bergeron to adjourn the meeting. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 4:42PM