

SELECTBOARD MEETING

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 20, 2017

- I. OPEN MEETING – The November 20, 2017 Selectboard meeting opened at 6:00PM. Those present: Frank Sawicki, Jr., Gregory Noyes, Haven Haynes, Jr (via conference call), Noreen Labrecque, Richard Thibeault, Heather Robinson, Bruce Owen.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On a motion by Frank and seconded by Greg the November 6, 2017 Selectboard meeting minutes were approved by all.
- III. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – Heather Robinson – Municipal General Roads Permit
- IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS -
- V. REPORT FROM HIGHWAY
 1. Heather Robinson presented the board with a Service Agreement between the Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District (ECNRCD) and the Town of Canaan. (See attached). This agreement is to execute the Category A Better Roads grant for the Town of Canaan. Heather had examples on her iPad to demonstrate the scope of work that needs to be completed under the Category A portion of the program. The board all agreed that neither the Town employees nor the board members have the time or the knowledge to complete these tasks and felt it would be beneficial to have ECRNCD in conjunction with NCIA to aid us with the process. On a motion by Haven and seconded by Frank the board unanimously agreed to enter into the Service Agreement with ECRNCD.
 2. Heather also touched on the subject of the invasive species that is invading parts of our town. She said that ECNRCD will be working with the students at Canaan High School to help create a plan to battle this weed or perhaps find uses for it.
 3. Better Roads grant has been submitted –info only
 4. Bruce Owen – Bruce presented the board with a proposal for the rental of his skid steer for clearing the sidewalks this winter. The proposal included a fee of \$40.00/hour and the Town will supply the fuel. The Town will keep track of the hours using the meter on the skid steer. Any other maintenance and repairs, Bruce will be responsible for. On a motion by Haven and seconded by Frank the proposal was approved unanimously by the board.
- VI. REPORT FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
 1. Quote from Geotech for sensors at plant – Board reviewed. On a motion by Haven and seconded by Frank the board unanimously approved the quote.

2. Approve and Sign Resolution for USDA – On a motion by Haven and seconded by Gregory the Resolution agreeing to apply for financial assistance with the USDA RD to finance the Wastewater Pump Stations Improvements. (See attached copy).
3. Telemetry for pump stations – contractor – Noreen explained that the telemetry for the pump station will be all connected with the telemetry for both Fire District #1 and Fire District #2. The Fire District #1 Board felt it would benefit all three entities if the same contractor was chosen for all three

VII. SOLID WASTE –

1. Wood at Stump Dump – Gregory will contact the person responsible for dumping the non-compliant material.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Set up time to do budgets – suggested Nov. 28th 1:00pm- This time was ok with all board members.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Approve and sign contract for Steve Masson – On a motion by Haven and seconded by Frank the board unanimously approved the contract which was signed by Gregory Noyes.
2. Gregory stated that Bill Johnson can meet with the Selectboard on December 4th at 1:00PM to discuss the land between the Canaan School property and the Wastewater Treatment facility.
3. Frank and Gregory have documented all the poles that the board has agreed to eliminate the lighting on.
4. The board discussed the problem that arose last snowmobile season at the Dion property. Gregory will take some measurements of property lines and discuss further with the Dion's and hopefully come up with a solution with the Snowmobile Club.
5. No action on the Blighted Properties Ordinance. Will address at next meeting. Gregory has been observing the property at 144 Hall Stream Road which has been abandoned for several years and the conditions continues to deteriorate. The garage roof has fallen in and the side is out away from the building.

X. OTHER BUSINESS –

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION – no action

In: Motion:	Second:	Action:	Time:
Out: Motion:	Second:	Action:	Time:

XII. SORT MAIL/SIGN WARRANT – \$ 57,346.32

XIII. ADJOURN MEETING – On a motion by Haven the November 20th, 2017 Selectboard meeting adjourned at 7:30PM.