

Canaan Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

September 5, 2019

Present: Garrett Buzzell, Jeffrey Clarke Daniel Harriman absent
Next meeting: September 9, 2019, 6:00pm, Canaan Town Office

Chairman Jeffrey Clarke called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

The Canaan Board of Selectmen met to discuss the next steps in the process to get the Moore's Mill Bridge repaired. There was an on-site meeting held on September 4, 2019 at 9am so engineers could come and inspect the bridge and assess the situation.

Some engineers suggested we extend the timeframe for the bid deadline as well as the completion of work. The selectmen are not interested in extending the timeframe as of right now, they would like to see what we get for bids before moving forward with this possibility. Bids are to be received no later than 4pm on September 23, 2019 and will be opened at 6pm on the same day.

One idea is to extend the road to Route 2 either temporarily or permanently. They are going to ask the Road Commissioner to get quotes on gravel as well as the overall cost.

Town of Skowhegan Manager, Road Commissioner, and Select Board will be invited to a special meeting so they can be informed on our intentions; date and time for that meeting are to be determined.

Letters will be drafted and sent to Maine Department of Transportation, Maine Department of Agriculture, Susan Collins, and Maine Representatives. Letters will also be drafted by the Fire Chief and the Road Commissioner.

One of the engineers inquired with the Selectmen if we are interested in being bonded for projects like this, that is not something they are in favor of at this time.

Closing the bridge is a possibility, but it is the last option for the time being. The Selectmen are trying to do everything they can to prevent this from happening.

Chairman Clarke motioned to adjourn at 6:58pm, seconded by Garrett Buzzell.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle McCormick, Selectmen Secretary