Town of Canaan

277 Main Street · PO Box 68 Canaan, Maine 04924

Select Board Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2024 6:00pm

Board Members Present: Jeffrey Clarke, Daniel Harriman, Megan Smith

Chairman Jeff Clarke called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

Minutes

Jeff Clarke motioned to accept the minutes without reading aloud, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Comments from the Public

A resident asked for culvert and ditch repair on Shady Lane. They had to repair 2 12' sections at the end of their driveway.

A road committee was suggested. Maybe put on the website asking for volunteers to create a new road committee as we have had a road committee before.

The letter from ESM was asked for. Still no updates with that.

Comments from the Select Board

The Town buildings got washed over the weekend.

The Select Board have been getting calls about people stealing Political signs. The Town needs to call the Sheriffs to inform them that we have received complaints of the thefts.

Abatements

Wendall Ramsdell Jr - \$473.82. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Ezra Holt - \$114.48. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

John Duggan - \$118.72. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Dan Harriman. All in favor.

Lucille Young - \$400.68. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Judith Winterling - \$302.10. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Jerome Dodge Jr - \$560.74. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Dan Harriman. All in favor.

Kyle Johnson - \$1161.76. Megan Smith motioned to approve, seconded by Jeff Clarke. All in favor. The Select Board decided to table the supplement.

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Jeff Sanders - \$97.52. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Jian Ji Wu - \$1833.83. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Julian Martin - \$136.74. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

David Gustafson - \$625.40. Jeff Clarke motioned to approve, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Carole Turner, Jeff Clarke motioned to deny, seconded by Dan Harriman. All in favor.

David Calder, Jeff Clarke motioned to deny, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

New Business

Jeff Clarke motioned to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6)(A) at 6:40pm, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Jeff Clarke motioned to come out of Executive Session at 6:44pm, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

The Skowhegan Code of Ethics was received for the Select Board to review and possibly adopt for the Town of Canaan.

Jeff Clarke motioned for Rachel to rewrite and retype The Code of Ethics replacing Skowhegan with Canaan, have Ken Lexier look it over, and everyone will have to sign it, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Old Business

Jeff Clarke motioned to renew Michael Gilbert's Junkyard permit, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Charlie Worcester presented a plan for the Office Remodel. The Town needs to look for contractor bids for the remodel

Fire Department

On November 3, 2024 there will be a Rabies Clinic held at the Fire Station.

Clerk

Jeff Clarke motioned to sign the Bank Reconciliations, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Jeff Clarke motioned appoint Ballot Clerks for November Election, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

Kim Brooks Isabelle Stetkis Morgan Ames Cindy Clarke

Kathey Perelka Maureen Calder

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Tax Collector

Trio discussion was tabled until next meeting.

Jeff Clarke motioned to sign Warrant #36, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.

General Assistance

The State is coming to do an audit this week.

Lake George

Lake George's Garlic Fest was a huge success. They had new storyboards, a hale bale maze, food and more. They almost ran out of garlic the first day.

There is an upcoming Spaghetti Dinner and Auction coming up his November.

There is a possible chance to do a Skowhegan side tour on 10/9/2024.

Jeff Clarke motioned to adjourn the meeting 7:34pm, seconded by Megan Smith. All in favor.