

Town of Canterbury
Selectmen's Meeting
October 3, 2022

Selectmen Present: Cheryl Gordon
Kent Ruesswick
Town Administrator: Ken Folsom

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

Administrative

Cheryl made a motion to sign Accounts Payable Manifest #1 in the amount of \$467,972.49. Kent seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

Cheryl made a motion to sign Accounts Payable Manifest #2 in the amount of \$315.00 Kent seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

Cheryl made a motion to sign the Payroll Manifest in the amount of \$50,625.14. Kent seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

The Selectmen signed:

- Community Power Coalition of NH Appointment Slips for Howard Moffett and Kent Ruesswick as the Selectmen's representative.
- The Establishment of the Electric Aggregation Committee
- Investment Policy for the Town
- Veterans Tax Credit-576 Northwest Rd.
- Land Use Change-Tax Map 210 Lot 8 Ames Rd. and Tax Map 246 Lot 21 Welch Rd.

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of the September 19, 2022, meeting. Kent made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried

Appointments

The Board met with Renee Brooks to discuss Hannah Dustin Rd. A portion of the road was discontinued at the Town Meeting on March 8, 1960. Because of a lack of records there is no confirmation that the vote was forwarded to the Superior Court as the law required. Ms. Brooks would like the Board to confirm that the road is discontinued. There was discussion about the property abutters which is Ms. Brooks on both sides and if a house could be put on one of the lots. Kent didn't want to make any decisions until the full Board was in attendance. The Board thanked Ms. Brooks for coming to the meeting and will notify her of the next available meeting.

The Board met with Barbie Tilton to discuss a payment plan for property taxes that are owed. Some options were discussed and Kent didn't want to make a decision until the full Board was present. The Board thanked Ms. Tilton and will notify her of the next available meeting.

New Business

The Board approved a request for a sign for the "Canterbury Tales: Trailblazers and Crossroads" event at the Canterbury Center Cemetery on Oct. 27 & 28

The Board discussed forming a committee to assist in maintenance of the Town Center.

The Board discussed supporting "Phase Two" of the Master Plan update by the Planning Board and the Central NH Planning Commission. The cost from CNHPC will be \$3,000. The Board will discuss this with the Budget Committee.

There was a short discussion of wages for the employees of the Transfer Station and adding an additional afternoon/evening for residents, which would coincide with the need for more hours for the employees to bale cardboard and other recyclables. Ken also advised the Board on the problem of the waste oil at the Transfer Station is contaminated and will require disposal by a certified contractor instead of sending it to the regular vendor at no cost.

Kent made a motion to withdraw \$2,500 from the "Building Maintenance" Capital Reserve Account to pay for new granite steps at the Town Hall. Cheryl seconded the motion, all in favor by roll call.

Ken gave the Board a draft of a memo to Town Boards and Committees on the posting of agendas and meeting minutes. The Board approved the memo, and Ken will send it out.

Ken advised the Board of communication from NH DOT on survey work at the intersection of Baptist and Shaker Rd.

The Board approved the purchase of a "Grapple Bucket" for the skid steer at the Transfer Station.

The Board reviewed a proposal from UMG Bulk Energy for the purchase of electricity supply to town buildings.

Ken gave the Board an update on the utility poles in the Center and the need for the flag pole to be removed in order to re-align the poles, which will negate the need for guy wires and/or a "push-pole". The Board agreed and will fund a replacement flag pole in a different location in the 2023 budget.

Ken advised that the Audit of Town Finances for 2021 has been completed and distributed copies to the Board.

Kent made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 PM. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on October 17, 2022 at 5:00 PM at the Meetinghouse.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Folsom
Town Administrator