

Town of Canterbury
Selectmen's Meeting
March 6, 2023

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 PM.

Administrative

Kent made a motion to sign Accounts Payable Manifest in the amount of \$453,984.23. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

Kent made a motion to sign the Payroll Manifest in the amount of \$45,715.28. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 27, 2023, meeting. Kent made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

New Business

Brian Magoon attended the meeting to discuss the offer he had submitted to purchase a parcel of town owned property on Baptist Hill Road.

Ken explained the Selectmen had asked Mandy to do an updated rural land sales comparison of that property with properties with similar characteristics in Canterbury and the surrounding towns. The new estimated market value is \$50,000.00. The Selectmen have not determined the sales prices but would entertain offers. They would be willing to negotiate but, the offer that Brian has submitted is not high enough.

The Selectmen thanked Brian for attending.

The Selectmen reviewed a letter to a resident from the Code Enforcement Officer outlining a site visit to 28 Misery Road and the various life safety code violations.

Ken explained that he had received an email from George Holt of Aries Engineering. George explained that due to the State of NH re-interpreting some of the regulations for the Transfer Station there will be additional fees for additional reporting to the State of NH.

The Board reviewed correspondence from CNHRPC offering traffic counts to be done. Ken will also forward the correspondence to the Planning Board and Road Agent for their input.

Ken explained that Treasurer Al Edelstein wanted to meet with the Selectmen to discuss investing town funds. Ken suggested that the Selectmen and Al meet with our Representative Keith Pike from TD Bank and have him explain how the current program works that we are currently in.

A brief discussion was held on the ZBA secretary's timesheet and how to better manage the time she puts in for hearings. Ken will invite the Chairman to the May 1, 2023, to discuss.

Ken reported that he received an email from Bryan Christianson of Comcast. Bryan explained that Round 2 of the Broadband Matching Grant Initiative (BMGI) funding for Broadband was granted. Unfortunately, it went to Consolidated Communications and not Comcast, Canterbury was not listed in Consolidated's application. The State Committee did fund the program for Round 3 at the same time they funded round 2 but to date, the state has not listed their application to apply to the BMGI. He has been checking the website daily. When the State does release the applications Comcast will apply and have every intention to include Canterbury in their application.

Ken reported that Canterbury received a subpoena from the attorney representing 3M corporation involving a class action suit, State of NH v. 3M Company *et al.* for PFA's found at the Transfer Station. Ken has been in contact with Town Counsel and will continue to work on the required responses.

Cheryl made motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 PM.

The next scheduled Selectmen's meeting will be held on March 20, 2023, at 5:00 PM at the Meetinghouse.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Stout
Administrative Assistant