

Town of Canterbury
Selectmen's Minutes
April 26, 2021

Selectmen Present: Cheryl Gordon
Art Hudson
Bob Steenson
Town Administrator: Ken Folsom

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Warrant Article #6 – Budget – Bob
Warrant Article #7 – Building Permit Software – Bob
Warrant Article #8 – Gold Star bond payment – Art
Warrant Article #9 – Capital Reserves – Bob
Warrant Article #10 – Library Roof – Bob.

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Jim explained that he would like to have any amendments made on any of the warrant articles be submitted in writing.

The Board thanked Jim and Sam for attending.

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62 Representatives.

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71 Bob made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 pm. Art seconded the motion. All in favor by
72 roll call, motion carried.

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