

Town of Canterbury  
Selectmen's Meeting  
February 3, 2020

Selectmen Present: Art Hudson  
Cheryl Gordon  
George Glines  
Town Administrator: Ken Folsom

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM

**Administrative**

The Board signed: A/P Manifest  
P/R Manifest  
Unemployment Manifest  
2 Employee leave requests

**Minutes**

The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of the January 20, 2020 Selectmen's meeting. George made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

**New Business**

Ken explained that Sam has received an email from Charles Bassett. Mr. Bassett is asking the Selectmen to abate the interest and penalties on his December tax bill. Due to the hurricane, the mail was delayed. George made a motion to abate any accrued interest and penalties for Mr. Bassett. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

The Selectmen have received correspondence from Peter Arvanitis from Century 21. He has a client that is in the process of purchasing 12 Sherwood Forest Drive and was interested in the Town would sell 10 Sherwood Forest Drive to his client for the amount of \$2,500. George made a motion to accept the offer of \$2,500 for 10 Sherwood Forest Drive with the stipulation that it must be merged with 12 Sherwood Forest Drive. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call.

Ken reported that he met with a Representative from Eversource. They will be replacing some of the poles on the transmission line. They are also upgrading the Class VI portion of Old School Road beyond Windswept Farm for better access to the power lines.

Ken explained that at the budget hearing, Bob Steenson had asked about capping the landfill. Ken did some research and found that in September 2008, at the request of Aries Engineering requested Canterbury to be put on the grant priority list. Canterbury was not able to get the grant and now there are no funds available in the program.

Ken reported that Joel French, Building Inspector had drafted a letter to a resident regarding an advertisement on social media for a town house for rent.

Tyson had forwarded an email to Ken about a legislative hearing on short-term rentals. Ken drafted a letter to Senator French and would like to attend the hearing to speak against this as it takes local control away from the Towns. The Selectmen signed the letter and approved Kens request to attend the hearing.

Ken reported that he has not had any response from his letter to Eric Spoffard of New Freedom Academy concerning amending the current site plan. He will contact the Planning Board and Zoning Board to see if Mr. Spoffard has reached out to them.

Ken received a notice of a meeting from Concord Regional Solid Waste on Wednesday, February 4, 2020 at the Bow Municipal to discuss selling property on Whitney Road to Martinetti Development Co. Ken will ask Mark Marr to attend the meeting on behalf of the Town.

Ken stated that he has not heard anything from the Attorney for Louis Pichette so a site visit could be scheduled. Ken will contact the Attorney again for an update and to let them know that the inspection must be completed by the end of February to avoid any fines.

The Selectmen reviewed the tax impacts on the warrant articles;

- Body Cameras \$0.02 per thousand
- Capital Reserves \$0.66 per thousand
- Heart Monitor \$0.13 per thousand
- Backhoe Capital Reserve \$0.03 per thousand

A general discussion was held on acquiring the Building Inspector software through Avitar. This would link all the building inspector files with the assessing files.

George made a motion to open the Public Hearing at 6:00PM. Chery seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

Al Edelstein, Lisa Carlson and Nancy Roy were in attendance.

Ken gave an overview of the proposed budget by department concentrating mostly on the major increases.

Lisa asked what the Sam Lake fit-up budget line was. Ken reported that those are expenses for the new Sam Lake House (assessors counter, building materials for the kitchenette, new sign, blinds, chairs for the conference room, etc.) Ken noted that there is a \$12,352 revenue offset. This revenue is from a mandatory distribution from the Sam Lake Trust.

Lisa asked if there is a time frame for the Shaker Dam to be completed. Ken explained that the Fire Department has visited the Village. Currently the water supply is depleted leaving no water supply for suppression. Art suggested that they contact the new Director and asked to be kept up to date on the project.

Nancy Roy left the meeting.

Art explained that originally Police Chief Labrecque introduced the noise ordinance. They have 6 documented calls in 2019, but since there is no ordinance, their hands are tied. Approving this

ordinance would allow the Police to address citizens' complaints and concerns. Al suggested that the "quiet time" be changed from 10:00 AM to 8:00 AM on Sundays. This would allow people to mow their lawn early on a hot Sunday morning. The Board agreed to amend the ordinance to 8:00 AM on Sundays.

Al reported that recently on Morrill Road there has been some logging going on. They are starting the motors on their equipment early in the morning. Lisa expressed concerns with gun use. On Sunday afternoons there has been someone in the neighborhood target practicing.

Al and Lisa thanked the Selectmen.

George made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:45 PM. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

Art made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. Cheryl seconded the motion. All in favor by roll call, motion carried.

The next scheduled Selectmen's meeting will be held on Monday, February 24, 2020 at the Sam Lake House.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Stout  
Administrative Assistant