

Minutes of Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen on Thursday, December 10, 2020 via Zoom

Meeting was called to order at 8 AM. All selectmen present. At the request of Colter Rule, an email was read into the record (attached).

A discussion was held on a contract that P and Z wished to undertake for meeting and planning purposes which would not cause any additional monies to be expended for the year as it is within their budget. On a motion by Barger, seconded by Marlowe, it was approved unanimously.

Appointments to the Recreation Commission establishing John Morrissey and Dan Carr as interim chairpersons and Susan Allen, Tom Wilson and Daipai Horace as new members was approved by consensus.

A motion was made by Marlowe, seconded by Barger to allow the First Selectman to negotiate a final lease for 440 square feet at 107 Main Street along with the parameters mentioned in the agenda. Unanimously passed.

A discussion was held about the ongoing conversations with JP Gifford on leasing the remaining space or a portion thereof. No action necessary.

A request to release the remaining funds on presentation of invoices of up to \$20,000 to the town. \$20,000 is the remainder set aside of the state grant for development of the site. On a motion by Marlowe, seconded by Barger, this was tabled to the December 14,2020 regular meeting. Passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 AM

Submitted by,

Henry W. Todd

First Selectman

Canaan Selectmen

From: Colter Rule <colterrule@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 8, 2020 11:35 AM
To: Canaan Selectmen; Laura Werntz; Fred Laser; Lesley Janzen; Denise Cohn Cell; Stephanie Falktoft; Mary Palmer; Dave Barger
Subject: Submitting: Communication for Dec 10th Selectmen's Meeting on Agenda Items

Dear Selectmen,

Please read into the record the following:

- 1) We are asking that the recent \$15,000 grant from the State to the Town to study affordable housing be up for an open discussion, be opened for bids, and that an agency other than Northwest Hills Council of Governments be enlisted to do this study. We have mentioned this before and you persist to suggest that NW COG will get these funds. We protest. Please address our request.
- 2) In light of the fact that the Incentive Housing Zone at Lime Rock Station is out of compliance and is still under review by the State Dept of Housing, we insist you not disburse further funds to the Falls Village Housing Trust. The Town may be liable for funds disbursed already if the State DOH rules that the IHZ is illegal.
- 3) In addition, we would also like to point out that, with the re-jiggering of the Town website, much of the important, legal content of Agendas and Meeting Minutes has somehow disappeared and/or is inaccessible. Also, there is no way to find contact information or email address's for anyone, only the Town Hall phone number and extension. Please address and fix ! Communication is key.

Thank you for your attention to these matters,

Colter Rule