

TOWN OF CANAAN

BOARD OF SELECTMAN MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021 @ 7:00 PM

Conclusion of the Board of Finance Meeting if the time is after 7:00 PM

108 MAIN STREET, FALLS VILLAGE, CT 06031

Attendees: Todd Henry, Dave Barger, Greg Marlowe and residents of the community.

- I. Call to order 7:25 PM by Todd Henry
- II. Public Comment (limit two minutes): Daly Reville, submitting letter to attach. Jandi Hanna. Denis Cohen. Colter Rule.
- III. Approval of Pending Minutes 10/18/2021. MOTION by Dave Barger to accept the Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes, seconded by Greg Marlowe; unanimous.
- IV. Treasurer and Tax Collector Reports. MOTION by Greg Marlowe to accept the October Tax Collector & Treasurer reports, seconded by Dave Barger; unanimous.
- V. Communications
  - a. Written- Thank you from SVNA. Attached.
  - b. Oral Reports
    - a. Appointment of Melissa Dean as Sexton, Johanna Mann as Interim BOF/BOS Secretary until job is posted and someone is appointed for these positions.
    - b. Need Sexton for town cemeteries. Looking for volunteers
    - c. Posting of jobs for Town Clerk and ZEO.
    - d. Conversation with Miguel Rivera. Grant liability to town. We do need to bond.
    - e. Tom Scott resigned; Janell Mullen will be the Interim
    - f. Salt shed request for ARPA funds, Kellogg request for ARPA funds.
    - g. Tracey Wilson report for the first qtr and discussion with Curtis Rand re composting. 35% of trash is compostable (MIRA)
    - h. NCPN letter for record
    - i. Disbanding of AHP Task Team
    - j. Purchase of OWL PRO – about \$1,000
- VI. Old Business
  - a. Proposed ARPA survey. Prepared one that is better than Todd's original due 1.1.2022 by consensus. Post on website.
- VII. New Business
  - a. Tax rebates – None
  - b. Appointment of Melissa Dean as Sexton except for Grassy Hill. MOTION by Greg Marlowe, seconded by Dave Barger to appoint Melissa Dean as Sexton for Town cemetery's except for the Grassy Hill cemetery; unanimous.
  - c. Discussion of cost recovery for FOIA legal cost. Table until next meeting and move to old business; by consensus. Wait for Town Attorney.



- d. Acceptance of Tom Scott's resignation as ZEO and appointment of Janell Mullen as Interim ZEO. **MOTION by Dave Barger, seconded by Greg Marlowe to accept the resignation from Tom Scott as ZEO and to appoint Janell Mullen as the interim ZEO; unanimous.**
- e. Annual Homeland Security resolution. **MOTION by Dave Barger, seconded by Greg Marlowe; to authorize Henry Todd to sign the Annual Homeland Security resolution; unanimous..**
- f. MIRA decision on opting out of annual "out" clause for the next 5 years. MIRA wants more money to ship. **MOTION to table by Greg Marlowe, seconded by Dave Barger to table MIRA contract till December meeting for further review; unanimous.**
- g. Disbanding of AHP Task Team with our appreciation. **MOTION to by Dave Barger, seconded by Greg Marlowe to disband the AHP Task team, with thanks and appreciation for their work; unanimous.** It was noted that the Plan of Conservation and Development is done every 10 years.
- h. Recommendation to BOF to buy OWL PRO which connects to Zoom for about \$1,000. From ARPA funds. **MOTION by Dave Barger, seconded by Greg Marlowe to recommend to BOF the BOS recommendation to purchase the OWL PRO which will allow town to have hybrid meetings; unanimous.**
- i. Appointment of Johanna Mann as Interim Secretary for BOF/ BOS. **MOTION by Dave Barger, seconded by Greg Marlowe to appoint Johanna Mann as the Interim Secretary for the BOF/BOS; unanimous.**

Agenda Additions:

- j. Reappoint Rebecca as Tax Collector. **MOTION by Greg Marlowe, seconded by Dave Barger to reappoint the Tax Collector, Rebecca Juchert-Derungs, for next two year term; unanimous.**
- k. Tim Downs as tree warden. **MOTION by Greg Marlowe, seconded by Dave Barger to appoint Tim Downs as the new qualified tree warden; unanimous**
- l. Parking in town. Received several emailed complaints about lack of parking in town. Possible solutions were discussed. **MOTION by Dave Barger to table to December meeting for further discussion and research with the input of public works, seconded by Greg Marlowe.**

VIII. Any Other Business to Properly Come Before the Board.

Verbal Communications

- a. Emily Peterson – Kudos for the Trunk or Treat. Henry will send a thank you.

Meeting adjournment **MOTION by Greg Marlowe, seconded by Dave Barger at 8:26 PM meeting adjourned; unanimous.**

Recording of meeting is online

Respectfully submitted, Johanna Mann, interim recording secretary & Rebecca Juchert-Derungs.



## Tax Collector

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**From:** Daly Reville <daly.reville@gmail.com> on behalf of Daly Reville  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 10, 2021 12:06 PM  
**To:** Rebecca Juchert-Derungs  
**Cc:** Daly Reville  
**Subject:** Letter to Selectmen

### Letter to Selectmen

NH COG has informed the AHP that the selectmen will disband AHP tonight,

1. 7 months early,
2. having the final report written by only one task team member,
3. with no public meeting to gather input from the community,
4. from a survey which is unusable.
5. the report currently is little more than a template with much misinformation, and little original writing.

In summary, the first selectman is choosing to disband this project before it has accomplished its mission.

I have written Town Hall requesting bills submitted with time sheets to determine how the \$15,000 DOH grant has been spent on 8 meetings of 1 1/2 hours each.

Since attachment 12 of the original IHZ application makes clear that any building on the IHZ is the responsibility of the town, anything built on the IHZ will never be the ultimate responsibility of FVHT. It must come before the legislative body for a vote.

The AHP alternatives are better because they are:

1. less expensive per client,
2. in less time,
3. provide for improving our existing housing stock and
4. increase the utilization of our existing infrastructure, rather than creating a new one.

This action to disband the AHP is against the wishes of DOH and the best interest of affordable housing for our town.

To be included with the minutes of the BOS meeting, 11,8,2021

Respectfully submitted,

Daly Reville  
Falls Village, CT



# Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Litchfield County



October 28, 2021

Mr. Henry Todd, First Selectman  
Town of Falls Village  
108 Main Street  
P.O. Box 47  
Falls Village, CT 06031

Dear Mr. Todd:

Enclosed please find our Annual Report for the Town of Falls Village for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. We greatly appreciate the support that the Town of Falls Village has provided us. If there is anything more we can provide the town or its residents, please do not hesitate to contact me at (860) 379-8561.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Caselas".

Michael Caselas  
Executive Director

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Enclosure

