## TOWN OF CANAAN FALLS VILLAGE TOWN HALL 108 Main Street, Falls Village, CT 06031 April 22, 2022, 6:30 pm Town Hall, Falls Village, CT

## Special Meeting:

Present: Chairman, Fred Laser and Regular Members, Vincent Inconiglios, John Morrissey, Garrett Scavotto, and Alice Macchi and Alternate Member, Ruth Skovron. Absent: Regular Members, Greg Marlowe and Ted Moy and Alternate Member, Marc Rosen.

Chairman Laser called the Special Meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

AGENDA: Special Meeting to Amend the 2022-2023 Budget to increase the line item for Consultant and ZEO reflecting the projected P&Z activity of 2022-2023.

Chairman Laser seated Alternate Member, Ruth Skovron to sit in for absent Regular Member, Greg Marlowe.

Discussion regarding shortfall of funds in three areas:

- 1. The present 2021 Consultant Budget line item shortfall;
- 2. The need to amend the 2022-2023 Budget line item to reflect increased activity by ZEO and Consultant; and
- 3. Request to transfer funds from Legal Attorney line item to Consultant line item in present 2021-2022 budget.

Additionally, also discussed was the timing for approval of the Zoning Rewrite funds which the P&Z currently has in a reserve fund. The same process was required to fund the Zoning Rewrite which includes approval by the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance and a Town Meeting. This process has been time consuming and has held up the important Zoning ReWrite.

Chairman Laser advised on the same process for moving line item budget funds, which includes a funding request to the Board of Selectman and then to the Board of Finance. This inability of moving this process along in an expeditious manner and an inability to compensate the P&Z Consultant and to begin the work on rewrite reflects poorly on the Town. It was the consensus of the Commission that this procedure should be reviewed and amended to streamline the ability to move budget funds. Discussion. MOTION by Inconiglios, seconded by Morrissey, that we amend the 2022-2023 budget to increase the Consultant line item to \$20,000.00 and to also increase the ZEO line item to \$12,000.00; approved unanimously by individual vote.

Adjournment: MOTION by Morrissey, seconded by Scavotto to adjourn the meeting; approved unanimously. Chairman Laser adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m .

Respectfully submitted, Alice Macchi, Recording Secretary