

Town of North Canaan
Blight and Unregistered Motor Vehicle Committee

Thursday January 31st, 2019 6pm at
The Great Falls Brewery
1 Railroad Station Plaza, North Canaan CT

Committee Members:

Christian Allyn (Chair), Ed Capowich, John Considine, Bunny McGuire, Joe Webb

The meeting was called to order at 6:08pm.

Appoint a Secretary: Bunny McGuire made a motion and John Considine 2nd the motion to appoint Joe Webb as Secretary. The motion was approved unanimously.

Explanation of the Committee: Christian Allyn discussed that the committee is to discuss blight and unregistered motor vehicle issues in North Canaan and vote on which issues to share with town attorney in order to draft an ordinance or ordinances. Once an ordinance is drafted it will be refined by the Blight and Unregistered Motor Vehicle Committee until the committee votes to approve an ordinance to go before a town meeting. Once an ordinance is approved by the committee to go before a town meeting a town meeting will be called to approve the ordinance. If the ordinance is approved by a town meeting the ordinance is law. The committee is allowed to draft multiple ordinances related to blight and unregistered motor vehicles concerns within the Town of North Canaan.

Draft Unregistered Motor Vehicle Ordinance Town of Sharon: Christian Allyn shared a draft ordinance from Town of Sharon regarding unregistered Motor Vehicles, to review for the next meeting.

Blight Issues to Discuss

The committee discussed many blight and unregistered motor vehicle concerns within the Town of North Canaan.

Ed made motion and Bunny McGuire seconded the motion for Chris Allyn to bring the following thoughts to Town Attorney: -The involvement of third-party groups to clean up blighted properties in North Canaan such as a Blight Brigade idea by John Considine

-Program to clean up foreclosure properties idea by Ed Capowich.

-FEMA Flood Zone Retention Areas idea by Christian Allyn.

Programs available to improve downtown buildings idea by Bunny McGuire.

- The identification of potential grants to restore buildings within the Canaan Village Historic District.

All Board Members voted for Chris Allyn to bring all discussed issues to Town Attorney.

Joe Webb made a motion and Ed Capowich seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe Webb, Secretary

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