Town of North Canaan
Board of Finance
November 9, 2022
Regular Meeting

Present: Chairwoman Nancy O’Connor, Bill Minacci, Brian Allyn Sr., Susie Clayton, Chris Sorrell

Chairwoman O’Connor called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

Mr. Allyn made a motion to approve the September 2022 minutes. Mr. Minacci seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. Minacci made a motion to accept the monthly tax collector report. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Ms. Clayton made a motion to accept the monthly financial reports. Mr. Allyn seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Selectman’s time:

Selectman Perotti read to the board the letter which will be going out to property owners from the Assessor’s office regarding the re-evaluation which is increasing residential 39% and businesses 14%.

Selectman Perotti gave an explanation of the budget process on how it works. Selectman’s office begins the process in January getting requests from outside organizations and compiling things. They try to anticipate items by using previous year numbers. If letters are not submitted from outside organizations, they go with what was given the year prior. They sit and discuss things 4 or 5 times before bring it to the finance board. They do have back up for the budget items.

There was a discussion of road paving. They were able to move funds, so it does not need to go to a town meeting.

ZEO George Martin’s gone to school to start the certification process.

There was a discussion of the lease between the daycare and the school. The town was not involved in the lease agreement. Technically the school could remove the daycare when the lease is up. Selectman Whiting explained the discussions that have been held with Dr. Roy and will continue to have.

Treasurer’s time:

The Accounting manual has been completed. The board reviewed the document. Mr. Sorrell made a motion to accept the manual as presented. Ms. Clayton seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

The auditors were here last week and spent a lot of time between the BOE and the town. There is a question as to a possible issue with the school system because the reports don’t match up to the town reports. The school will need to hire someone to review and hopefully figure out what is happening. Possibly a new system completely starting fresh July 1. They are off from the town about $8000 currently and they cannot figure out why. As far as the rest of the audit a lot of field work was done, but
it will be some time before they have completed it. There was a discussion regarding state audit for the
daycare which will not occur this year. There will be a federal audit.

Mr. Allyn moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Minacci seconded the motion. Motion was approved.
Meeting adjourned at 8:09pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ayslea A Odell
Recording Secretary