Town of North Canaan Board of Finance January 10, 2024 Regular Meeting

Present: Chairman Doug Humes, Bill Minacci, Bryan Johnson, Chris Sorrell

Chairman Humes called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

Mr. Minacci made a motion to approve the minutes from last meeting as presented. Mr. Sorrell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to accept the monthly financial report as presented. Mr. Minacci seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr. Minacci made a motion to accept the monthly tax collectors' report as presented. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Selectman's Time: Selectman Ohler stated he is looking forward to working with the other selectmen and the finance board on the upcoming budget. There will be some procedural changes coming up and he will be meeting with all of the chairs of boards and commissions in February to go over changes. One change will be that all meetings/hearings will be offered in person as well as via online. Right now, it will be zoom, but that format may change depending on the budget. Other changes will be standardization (letterhead) to agendas, etc to be more streamlined and professional. The town Dodge pickup truck has been in for repairs. The repairs were less expensive than purchasing a new vehicle. Repairs were \$14,000 but should continue the life of the truck for about 5 years or more.

Treasurer's Time: Emily Minacci had nothing to report, except that the auditors have not contacted her yet. The hope is that the audit will be done sometime in February. The last time she spoke with the auditors they were having issues with the school portion of the audit.

Budget presentation date discussion ensued. Mr. Minacci made a motion to move the March meeting from the 13th to the 20th at 7:00pm. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Chairman Humes will reach out to the town clerk to let her know about the March meeting.

Mr. Johnson suggested that the meetings going forward could be at 7:00pm instead of the normal 7:30. The board was in agreement. Starting in February the meetings will be held at 7:00pm

Public comment: none.

Selectman Bunce stated that at a recent meeting Susie Clayton had put in a resignation letter from this board and recommended Christian Allyn as her replacement. There was a discussion. Chairman Humes explained that there was no resignation received by this board and she will need to submit her resignation to the town clerk. Chairman Humes also stated that the board appoints their own replacement, it does not come from the person resigning.

Mr. Sorrell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Minacci seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 7:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ayrslea A Odell

Recording Secretary