



Town of North Canaan

Board of Selectman

Special meeting

October 14, 2025

Present: First Selectman Brian Ohler, Selectman Jesse Bunce, Selectman Craig Whiting via phone

Selectman Ohler called the special meeting to order at 3:01pm

Discussion and possible action on appointment of Assistant Town Clerk

Selectman Ohler has a bio for Ingrid Smith which he read into record. Under State Statute 7-20 the selectmen have the right to appoint an assistant town clerk. **Selectman Whiting moved to appoint Ingrid Smith to the position of Assistant Town Clerk. Selectman Ohler seconded the motion.**

Discussion ensued. Selectman Whiting likes that this individual is non-biased and has experience. Selectman Ohler stated that in accordance with the state statute this position is temporary beginning today to the election, November 4, 2025. Selectman Bunce questioned why the town is not utilizing the Town Clerk Jeanne Jacquier. Selectman Ohler stated that this is replicating what the select board did when they appointed Paul Mattingly to Assistant Town Clerk. Selectman Bunce stated that in response to Monday's meeting where it was said no correspondence has been received regarding Ms. Jacquier's intentions, he presented emails from her attorney to the town attorney which he read into record. Emails were dated March 11 and August 14. There is currently no resignation for Ms. Jacquier on file. Selectman Ohler stated that he could not verify these emails right now but thanked him for the information. Selectman Bunce stated her attorney may be on the zoom meeting. Selectman Ohler again thanked him for the information and stated there is no public comment in the special meeting. Hearing no further discussion Selectman Ohler called for the vote. **Selectman Ohler and Selectman Whiting voted yes. Selectman Bunce abstained from the vote. Motion was passed by majority vote.** Selectman Bunce gave copies of the information to the Administrative Assistant.

Selectman Whiting moved to adjourn the meeting. Selectman Ohler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:09pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ayrslea A Odell

Recording Secretary