Town of North Canaan
Board of Selectman
May 2, 2022
Regular Meeting – via zoom only

Present: First Selectman Charlie Perotti, Craig Whiting, Christian Allyn

Selectman Perotti called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

Selectman Allyn moved to accept the April minutes. Selectman Whiting seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Public comment: None

Selectman Allyn made a motion to accept the resignation of June Gustafson from Wangum Village board and the appointments of Kim Condon and Joellen Rosier. Selectman Whiting seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Reminder the Region 1 referendum is tomorrow here at the town hall which will be closing at noon. A notice is posted that masks are recommended.

COVID update – The town is again in the red and the virus has hit the town hall with a handful of people sick. Selectman Perotti suggests wearing masks and hand sanitizing, as you are comfortable, to remain healthy.

There will be a budget hearing on May 11, 2022, at 7:30pm.

The Hazardous Migration Plan Adoption – Selectman Perotti and Selectman Allyn have looked at it and done some corrections and updates. Once Selectman Whiting has a chance to look at it, the board can adopt it.

Transfer stickers will be available July 1. Prices are being slightly increased.

The Memorial Day Parade is May 30 at 10:30am with a service at the Doughboy at 11:00.

Household Hazardous Waste Day will be June 4, 2022, 8:30 to 12:00 at the Falls Village town garage

Resident Trooper report: 213 calls for the month

Fire Marshalls report: We have 2 new marshalls - John Deshazo and Tim Baldwin. Available hours are still being worked out. Primary day for Mr. Baldwin will be Fridays.

Building Officials report: The office is busy with building permits, questions, etc.

Social Worker: We have hired a new director starting June 2, Sharon Kelly. Missy is currently handling the minor things. We did sign an agreement with the town of Winsted if we need some help until June.

Zoning Officer Report was read into record.

Selectman Whiting report: Selectman Whiting would like to have a meeting soon with Fran, Chea, Dr. Roy and the Selectmen to discuss the childcare issues in town and see if there is a way to resolve some of them for the summer. Next Monday night Selectman Whiting needs someone to tape the meetings as he will be unable to attend. People need to attend meetings and stop airing issues on Facebook and other social media. Selectman Allyn would like to know if the selectmen are allowed to speak at the hearing on cannabis. Selectman Perotti will check with the town attorney. Selectman Allyn would like to write a letter with feedback that has been given to him by people so that the points are articulated clearly. Selectman Whiting stated that the Republic American corrected information that he gave to them and that was published incorrectly, and he is hoping that the Lakeville Journal does the same. Selectman Whiting received a written complaint regarding the transfer station most of which is the same issues he has been siting for a long time. Selectman Perotti stated that 2 loads of refrigerators have been taken out.

Selectman Allyn report: He, Tom Zettestrom and Race Mountain Tree went around and pruned 14 trees in town including the library tree. John Lannen has been working with Salisbury Bank to see about signage to the municipal parking lot. He will forward the emails to the Selectman. Dylan Deane has an Eagle Scout Project in which he designed 4 directional signs for the areas of coming into town. The Blight ordinance needs to either go to the town meeting or have a separate meeting before the June Selectman meeting. The Town Meeting date will be chosen May 11. There was a litter pick up which was very good. The DOT reached out to us about our interest in acquiring the Greenway property. Selectman Perotti has to speak to them and see what they have for us, but we are not in the market to purchase it. Mason Tremble from the State will come out to discuss the river access property after May when the budget is finished at the State Capital. Selectman Allyn attended the Arbor Day celebration at the Elementary school. Selectman Perotti and Selectman Whiting could not attend due to illness. Selectman Whiting asked about the signs that Dylan Deane is creating and wondering if they could be made out of something that will last longer than a couple of years. Perhaps we should make it a priority and pay for it. Bob Riva from Lindells offered materials for the project as well. Selectman Allyn met with Bill Minacci of the Fire District, Jake Feathers and the DOT team in regard to the Ducillo building driveway. A plan for the crosswalk was created and the Fire District is going to help with that. Cheryl Duntz explained that part of Dylan Deane's project is to find and manage the funds so Selectman Perotti should speak with him and see how we can help in a way that still allows it to be his project.

Selectman Whiting made a motion to adjourn. Selectman Allyn seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ayrslea A Odell

Recording Secretary