

Town of Canterbury
Board of Selectmen
June 20, 2011

Selectmen Present: Bob Steenson
Tyson Miller
Town Administrator: Roger A. Becker

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM.

Bob Fife joined the meeting to discuss the Cushman Elm tree. He reported that to treat the tree a State herbicide license is required. He has located an applicator from Belmont – Bill Price, Arborist. Fertilizer and treatment this year for the Cushman Elm would be about \$470 with following years to be \$380. Bob will get data for a purchase order and give to Roger. The Selectmen requested that Bob have the applicator take a look at the big maple in front of the Sam Lake House.

Discussions then moved to Kimball Pond. The Fire Dept made a sign and Bob has located the sign by the entrance to the boat launch. Bob is intentionally delaying putting a cable up to keep the public from parking close to the area used by the Fire Department when drafting water. He will coordinate this with Pete Angwin, Fire Chief.

Bob also discussed putting a culvert across the access to Hildreth Field. He will need a purchase Order to implement this.

Phil Stone – Reports that the Department is doing general summer work on the roads. He also intends to cut up the old steel from the bridge on Old Tilton Road Bridge as well as miscellaneous scrap at the Transfer Station. He feels he can convert the scrap metal into as much as \$5,000 at today's scrap metal prices.

Lois Lane – A discussion centered on whether Lois Lane is a Class V or Class VI road. Further research is required. Roger will work with Mary Grady to resolve. Current thinking is that it is a ROW.

Luke Smith is planning to develop a residential lot in Sherwood Forest on Canterbury Shore Drive; he proposed locating the septic across the street. At the present time, he does not have a building permit. We should refer to Jim Snyder.

Maple Grove needs some summer tree trimming.

Discussion of 4 vs. 5 day work weeks and productivity gain vs. loss with 8 and 10 hour work days. Bob feels productivity suffers with 10 hour work days. Discussions will be continued.

Wayne Mann talked about taking GPS readings at the stand pipes for the irrigation system at the sod farm. He thinks a record would be helpful in the event the pipes become damaged or broken off. He also reported that the Crete's did a no-till seeding and that the soil will look quite different from the conventional seeding of corn.

Pete Angwin reported that the call volume continues to be low. He left the meeting to attend a training session at the Firehouse

The Board discussed with Chief John LaRoche that his overtime budget is pretty much used up and asked John to pay close attention to that particular budget line.

John reported that he will be covering two NASCAR races in July and September and one Indy car race in August.

Brookford Farm – Luke Mahoney, General Manager of Brookford Farm, and Brett Lazar, consultant for Brookford Farm, presented an overview of their current operations and a desire to lease the sod farm. They currently lease land in Rollinsford but are not able to renew the lease in September of 2011. Their business is characterized by diversity and they seem to be quite successful financially. They develop strong community ties and involve the local people in their business activities. They appear to be a good match for Canterbury. They left a brochure and a picture book.

The minutes for the 6 June meeting were approved as written.

Bob will write a short notice concerning the revaluation for inclusion in the next Church newsletter.

Meeting closed at 21:33

The next regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting will be held on July 1, 2011 at 3:00 PM at the Meeting House.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger A. Becker
Town Administrator