

**TOWN OF CANTON, CONNECTICUT
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
Wednesday, September 2, 2009**

A Special Town Meeting of the Town of Canton was held on Wednesday, September 2, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Canton Public Library and Community Center, 40 Dyer Avenue, Collinsville, CT.

James Bixler, Moderator, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Town Clerk, Linda Smith, read the call of the meeting and the return of notice.

Richard Barlow moved that the meeting consider and take action on:

1. Shall the Town of Canton, pursuant to Charter Section 9-3(i)(2), accept a Department of Transportation Grant in the amount of \$384,000 for the purposes of constructing Phase III of the Farmington River Trail?

Seconded by David Gilchrist

Discussion:

Mr. Barlow discussed the purpose of the motion. This is additional money, originating from federal stimulus funds, is being awarded by the Department of Environmental Protection to fully fund the third phase of the Farmington River Trail.

Marc Cerniglia asked about an archeological survey. Mr. Barlow explained that the State of Connecticut is requiring a study be done as part of the acceptance of the grant. He is hoping to get additional money to cover the expense. Because of this study, construction is not expected to begin until the spring. Mr. Cerniglia expressed concern that stimulus monies, designed to bring jobs and economic activity to the area is being hampered by state regulation.

The question was moved.

The motion vote was 20 YES/0 NO. The motion carried.

Richard Barlow moved that the meeting consider and take action on

2. Shall the Town of Canton rescind: (a) Ordinance #57 entitled "An Ordinance Regulating The Use of Public and Private Sewers and Drains, Private Sewage Disposal, the Installation and Connection of Building Sewers, and the Discharge of Waters and Wastes into the Public Sewer System: And Providing Penalties for Violations Thereof: In the Town of Canton, County of Hartford, State of Connecticut"; and (b) Ordinance #175 which ordinance establishes procedures for making connections to the public sewer in Canton and provides specific limits for pollutant discharges. It is the intent of the Water Pollution Control Authority to replace the ordinances with regulations adopted by the Water Pollution Control Authority.

Seconded by Bob Suttmiller.

Discussion:

Mr. Barlow explained that the WPCA operates under two ordinances even though they act independent of the Canton Town Charter. Their power comes from the Connecticut General Statutes but is duplicated with these ordinances. The WPCA should be regulated through the Connecticut General Statutes only.

There being no questions, Mr. Barlow moved the question.

The motion vote was 19 YES/0 NO. The motions carried.

Mr. Barlow made a motion to adjourn.

David Gilchrist seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10pm

Linda Smith, Town Clerk

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