

**Town of Canton**  
**March 31, 2021**  
**Special Meeting 7:00pm**  
**Minutes**

**Present**

Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley, Council Members Bob Washo, James Smith, and Martha Foley Smith

**Also in Attendance**

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Karin Blackburn, Director of Economic Development Leigh Rodriguez, Historian Linda Casserly

Members of the Public: John Casserly, David Doran, Ellis Giacomelli, Michael Hammond, Dave Nelson, Bob Santamoor, Heidi Smith, Dan Soulia, Lyne Soulia, John Taillon

**A. Call to Order**

- Mary Ann Ashley opened the Special Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**B. Public Comment**

- No public comment.

**C. Old Business**

- No old business.

**D. New Business**

- Acknowledge Council Member Tim Danehy Resignation  
Clerk Blackburn read Council Member Danehy's letter of resignation.  
Mary Ann Ashley stated that on behalf of the Town, his service is appreciated.
- Acknowledge Part Time Code Enforcement Officer Jeff Murray Resignation  
Jeff decided not to continue with part-time employment effective March 25<sup>th</sup>. His letter is on file with the Clerk. Mr. Murray's service is appreciated as well.
- Interim Code Enforcement Officer Professional Services Agreement  
Due to Mr. Murray's resignation and the new Code Enforcement Officer not starting until April 12<sup>th</sup>, it was necessary to appoint an interim Code Enforcement Officer. Retroactive to March 29<sup>th</sup>, the Town has signed an agreement with Russell B. Lawrence IV to work up to 10 hours per week at \$50 per hour including mileage reimbursement at \$.56 per mile. The Board is grateful to Russell signing on so there is no break in service for Code Enforcement. The agreement is on file.

**E. Executive Session**

Upon majority vote upon a motion that identifies the subject to be considered, the Council will conduct an executive session to discuss any of the issues identified as proper by Public Officers Law 105 (1) (H) the proposed acquisition of property.

1. Motion to go into Executive Session at 7:04pm made by Mary Ann Ashley, 2nd by Bob Washo. All in favor. Motion carried.
2. Motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:36pm made by Jim Smith, 2nd by Martha Foley Smith. All in favor. Motion carried.
3. New Business  
Motion to enter into an agreement with Russell B. Lawrence was made by Bob Washo, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Smith. All in favor. Motion carried.
4. Motion to adjourn at 7:38pm made by Bob Washo, 2nd by Jim Smith. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karin Blackburn".

Karin Blackburn  
Town Clerk