Town of Hartford

January 21, 2021

7:00 PM Selectboard Meeting

**I           Call Meeting to order: Lee called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.**

**Selectboard present:** Lee Holman, Cathy Lowe, Lori Swan.

**Also present:** Richard Dyer, Margot Dudley, Tim Kirwan, Jen Bonaventura, Tom Hamilton, and Lennie Eichman

**II         Review meeting minutes from**:

Selectboard Meeting on January 7, 2021: Lee moved, Lori 2nd, All in favor=3.

**III        Review Warrants**:

A/P Warrants # 18 & #19 and Payroll warrants: Lee moved approval, Cathy 2nd, All in favor=3.

**IV        Reports:**

1. RSU 10 Report: No word from school board representative Chad Culleton. Next meeting 1-25-21. Budget workshop scheduled February 1, 2021. Not open to the public.

2. Road Report: None at present

3. CEO Report: None at present

4. ACO Report: None at present

5. Planning Board Report: Charmae Gammon is on the Planning Board, has the binder. Cathy will contact a potential member. Two seats remain open.

6. Ordinance Committee:  Met 1/19/21, lacked a quorum. Rescheduled 2/02/21. Need an Ordinance committee member.

7. Fire Warden Report: None at present

8. Treasurer Report: None at present

**V         Calendar Reminders:**

1. Dog licenses are due by February 1, 2021. State fines accrue after that date.

**VI        Unfinished Business:**

1. Committee members needed for future town office planning committee – No meetings planned at present given that a full-time clerk has not been hired.

2. Bond Counsel Update: The Selectboard received a letter indicating the need to reword the bond article and hold a brief town meeting at the beginning of a regularly scheduled Selectboard meeting. Sample wording was offered.

            3. Returned check policy/adapt policy: Needs to be typed as adapted for Hartford.

4. Generator fuel planning/update: The town has been looking into getting two larger tanks in order to make it through a weekend with no power if needed. Companies no longer lease tanks. Consumers must purchase and maintain them. Cathy moved that the town award the bid for tanks from Blanchard’s Fuel. Lee 2nd, All agree=3.

5. Bear Pond dumpster use: Private property was offered on the East Shore. Susan Goulet wrote a letter to residents explaining how it needed to be maintained. Archie’s approved the site and Larry Giroux offered to plow. They will have stickers to be identified as having the right to dumpster use.

**VII      Open Session:**

1. DEP grant ZOOM workshop at 3 PM February 4, 2021 (Goding Road stream grant.)
2. New town clerk? Will be discussed in executive session.

**VIII     New Business:** 

1. The recreational railroad bed trail trashed by a truck being driven on the soft snow. . What should we do? The Canton Hi-Riders have since smoothed out the trail as best they could. In future ask the town crew to plow up snow to discourage large vehicles from entering the trail. Cathy will check with Bim. Also discussed mud season.

              2.  Executive session to discuss personnel matter, Pursuant to MRSA Title I 405 (6) (A)

**IX        Appointments/Resignation:**

            Continue to see committee members. Make sure Oaths are up to date.

**X         Training:**

MMA training for Planning Boards and Boards of appeal on ZOOM 2/24/21. Lee suggested sending 2 new members and discussing at the next meeting 2/4/2021.

**XI        Review Correspondence:**

Efficiency Maine sent a letter offering a upgrades to electric light and HVAC.

Richard shared that NexAmp will be installing solar stations around the state and nearly guarantee some savings and support of clean power.

**XII      Adjourn:**

Lee adjourned the regular meeting at 8:20 PM and called the board into executive session at 8:22 PM.

Executive Session ended at 8:50 PM. The Board decided to interview a candidate on Saturday 1/23/21 @ 8:30 AM. Lee moved, Lori 2nd, All in favor=3.

Minutes approved by:

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Lee Holman Date

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Cathy Lowe Date

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Lori Swan Date