Town of Hartford

Selectmen’s Meeting

March 17, 2016

Minutes

Present: Selectmen Lee Holman, Cathy Lowe, Margaret Poskus, Town Clerk Lianne Bedard, CEO Bill Kennedy, Road Commissioner Alan McNeil, Budget Committee members Leslie Boness, Edward Jones representative Justin Conant, Planning Board members Morrill Nason, Arthur Harvey, and residents Christine Mumau, Doug Crist and Rodney Harlow.

1. Lee called the meeting to order at 7:05pm
2. Margaret motioned to approve the March 3, 2016 selectmen minutes. Lee second. All in favor=3.
3. Lee motioned to approve warrants 64, 65, & 66. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
4. Reports
5. Road report: the board reviewed the report submitted by the road commissioner which included crushed rock being placed on Gurney Hill Road and an inventory of culverts on hand, purchased in the current budget year and where they have been installed. Alan stated that buying culverts in bulk saves the town 25% of the cost. Alan stated that he does not want to raise taxes and the amount approved for the special road project fund should be up to the voters. Alan also stated that paving costs 110,000-140,000 per mile not including road reconstruction costs. Morrill shared that Pratt Road is beginning to wash out at Mahoney Brook. CEO report: Rodney Harlow shared a partially complete inventory of vehicles located a lot on Town Farm Road. He has been draining fluids and removing tires. The board agreed to date of completion of the inventory of the junkyard as May 5, 2016 to comply with the junkyard statute. Bill stated that he is working on junkyard issues one at a time and will eventually include all junkyards in Hartford.
6. ACO report: none.
7. RSU 10 Director report: Richard reported that the state received 15 million dollars in add’l funding and that there will be a slight increase in the school budget this year. Richard shared that 574 students in RSU 10 receive individual education plans and 78 students are on a 504 plan. The Dare program will be held on March 29th at the Mtn. Valley H.S. Richard also stated that four towns have been given an extension for filing for withdrawal from the RSU and all four must receive approval to withdraw in order for it to be valid.
8. Planning Board report: Morrill shared that a permit was issued to Joan Ben to build a house on Sumner Road. The planning board is investigating a conflict concerning the former Burdin property.
9. Constable report: none.
10. Fire Warden report: none.
11. Treasurer report: Lianne reported that 2013 45 day foreclosure notices have been sent.
12. Open session:
13. Morrill shared an old map that may clarify the original route of Gurney Hill Road near Roger Gammon’s property.
14. Lianne asked whether the board wanted to discuss the request of the budget committee for a forensic audit. Lee stated that she is researching the issue and shared feedback from MMA legal stating that it is not necessary in their opinion.
15. Unfinished business
16. Administration policy/retirement: Justin Conant was present to discuss different options for retirement including traditional IRA’s ad simple IRA’s. Both options would cost $40.00/year to maintain by Edward Jones. A 457 is not an option since the town does not have an ordinance and policy in place.
17. Camp Road turnaround: discussed below.
18. New business
19. Lee motioned to enter into executive session at 8:55pm to discuss a legal matter concerning the Camp Road turnaround pursuant to 1 MRSA Section 405, subsection 6(E). Cathy second. All in favor=3. Lee motioned to exit executive session at 9:15pm. Cathy second. All in favor=3. No decisions made.
20. Beach Stickers/passes: Lianne shared past board minutes which included requests to charge for beach stickers and suggestions to charge a fee for non-resident swimming lesson participants to use the beach for the season. Lianne shared a proposed new beach sticker sporting the town seal. Tabled.
21. Town Report Cover/Dedication: tabled.
22. County tax commitment: the board signed the commitment papers.
23. Appointments/ballot clerks: Lee motioned to appoint the following election clerks for a term of two years: Sandra Tardiff, Gerald Tardiff, Leslie Boness, Stephanie Frobese, Roxanne Caron, Pauline Chasse, Vickielynn Kimball, Arthur Harvey, Arlene Nason, Carol Perry, Daryl Boness, Doreen Maxwell, Judith Hamilton, Barry Langer, Donna Circeo, Jessica Kimball, Diane Legee, Marguerite Dudley, Thomas Hamilton and Cassidy Bedard. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
24. Training: tabled.
25. Review correspondence
26. Adjourned at 9:15pm.

Minutes approved by:

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Lee Holman Date

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Cathy Lowe Date

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Margaret Poskus Date