

Town of Hartford
Selectboard Meeting
Minutes
June 17, 2021
7PM @ Hartford Town Hall

Present: Selectmen Lee Holman, Cathy Lowe, Lori Swan, Town Clerk Lianne Bedard, Road Commissioner Bim McNeil, residents Sylvia Mahoney, Richard Dyer, Ramsey Ludlow, and Sybilla Pettingill.

The board conducted employee reviews for two employees at 6pm.

- I Lee called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.
- II Lee motioned to approve minutes of the June 3, 2021 selectmen's meeting. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
- III Lee motioned to approve A/P Warrants #33 and payroll warrants from June 9, 2021 and June 16, 2021. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
- IV Reports:
 - 1. RSU 10 Report: Richard stated that at the most recent school board meeting dress codes were discussed pertaining to hoods, hats, and skirts. There will be a meeting soon to discuss the plans for the new school and solar power. Richard stated that if he is written in as a candidate for school board he will decline. Lee stated that the current RSU10 school board member, Chad Culleton of Hartford, would accept the position if he were to be elected as a write in candidate.
 - 2. Road Report: The board reviewed the road report submitted by Bim. Bim stated that Jeff Sterns and McClain are researching the Pratt Hill culvert grant and the project would cost approx. \$270,000.00 if the town used the engineering plans that were prepared in the past. The town would be reimbursed \$90,000.00. Bim stated that he could complete the project for \$40,000.00 and is working with officials to come to an agreement. Lee stated that the board voted to hire an engineer for the project which had cost \$18,000.00. The board applied for the grant and was denied. After another town rejected the grant, it was offered to Hartford. This item will be on the next board agenda.
 - a. Road complaint/Mahoney: It has been requested that no ditching be done on the west side of Mahoney Road at the residence of Sylvia Mahoney. The bank has been dug into near her trees even after she had spoken to the road crew. Now she is unable to mow around the trees. Bim stated that he will do his best not to disturb the trees. A letter will be sent to Sylvia acknowledging the issue. Cathy offered have the road crew smooth out the entrances to Sylvia's driveways.
 - b. Paving Bidder proposal/All States Construction-Dave Burlingame: the board received a cost comparison report from All States Construction between All States and NE Paving. The board reviewed the report and wants to thank him very much for submitting the information; however the bid had previously been rewarded to NE Paving.
 - 3. CEO Report: The board reviewed the report submitted by Scott Mills. Lee stated that she spoke with the owner of the property that was the subject of a junk complaint recently and the owner has the property mostly cleaned up.
 - 4. ACO Report: none.
 - 5. Planning Board Report: members of the planning board are looking for an electronic copy of the amended Shoreland Zoning ordinance that has not been finalized.
 - 6. Ordinance Committee: the ordinance committee will meet after July 1st and the board will prepare a list of ordinance requests for them.

7. Fire Warden Report: The board has requested monthly reports from the fire warden.
8. Treasurer Report: Lianne provided the board with an up to date expense report and asked whether or not to continue the premium Zoom subscription. Lee motioned to cancel the premium Zoom subscription for now. Lori second. All in favor=3.
Lee motioned to approve wages for 2021-2022 with no changes from current wages. Lori second. All in favor=3.
 - a. Maine Recovery Grant: Lianne has applied for a first come first serve grant offered by Maine Recovery to reimburse the town for Zoom meetings, the barrier at the town office, and other COVID related supplies.

V Calendar Reminders: Municipal Election-July 6, 2021 and Town Meeting July 10, 2021. Absentee ballots are currently available.

VI Unfinished Business:

1. Beach Stickers: Lianne has requested clarification on the policy for issuing beach stickers and guest passes. Cathy motioned to include the license plate number on the resident beach stickers. Lee second. All in favor=3.
Cathy motioned to waive the cost of a replacement sticker if the resident has purchased a new car. Lee second. All in favor=3.
Lee will contact the Chesley's of Sumner concerning their letter concerning use of the town beach. Lianne will copy the deed/agreement from Patton Corp. which states residents and guests only. Lee motioned to allow students of Hartford/Sumner Elementary School use the beach on July 29, 2021 for 2 hours in the morning. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
2. Hartford website invoice: Lori motioned to pay the Wordpress.com invoice for one year. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
3. Curbside collection contract the board signed the contract for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.
4. Recreational Trails Grant: since the town has not appropriated any funds to match this grant, it will be shared with the recreation committee to see if there is any interest.
5. Animal Shelter Proposal-Responsible Pet Care: Lee motioned to award the 2021-2022 shelter bid to Kozy Kennels. Cathy second. All in favor=0. Cathy motioned to award the 2021-2022 shelter bid to Responsible Pet care. Lori second. All in favor=2. Opposed=1.

VII Open Session: none.

VIII New Business:

1. New Road name-Hayford Hill Lane: Lee motioned to name the private drive off Bear Pond Road-Hayford Hill Lane. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
2. Lee motioned to enter into Executive Session at 9:50pm pursuant to Title 1 chapter 13 subchapter 1-405/workers compensation: Cathy second. All in favor=3. Lee moved to exit executive session at 10pm. Cathy second. All in favor=3. No action taken.

IX Appointments/Resignation:

1. Annual appointment of all town officials: the board decided to appoint officials for the entire 2021-2022 fiscal year instead of for two weeks to cover the time between the end of their terms and the first board meeting after town meeting.
Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as Town Clerk with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as Treasurer with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as Tax Collector with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Lori second. All in favor=3.
Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as Assistant to the Board of Selectmen with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Lori second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as Registrar of Voters with a term to expire June 30, 2023. Lori second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as E911 Addressing Agent with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Lori second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as MV Agent with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Lori second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as IFW Agent with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as Election Warden with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Lianne Bedard as Public Access Officer with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Scott Mills as CEO with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Lori second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Scott Mills as LPI with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Clarence Hill as Fire Warden with a term to expire June 30, 2021. Cathy second. All in favor=3. (it was determined that this appointment is invalid since the Fire Warden is an elected position).

Lee motioned to appoint Charles Merritt as Constable with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Isaac Haylock as Alternate Planning Board member with a term to expire June 30, 2023. Lori second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint John Dudley as Appeals Board Member with a term to expire June 30, 2026. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Susan Goulet as Ordinance Committee Member with a term to expire June 30, 2026. Lori second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Raymond Hunter as Alternate Road Committee Member with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Lori second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Barry Langer as Alternate Road Committee Member with a term to expire June 30, 2022. Lori second. All in favor=3.

The remaining appointments were tabled until the July 1st board meeting.

X Training: none.

XI The board reviewed all correspondence.

XII Lee motioned to adjourn at 10:25pm. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Minutes approved by:

Lee Holman

Date

Cathy Lowe

Date

Lori Swan

Date

