Town of Hartford Selectboard Meeting Minutes June 3, 2021 7PM

Public Hearing to be held at 6:00pm To review Administrative Ordinance Amendments and Warrant Articles

Lee opened the Hearing at 6:05pm. 19 residents were present. The chairman of the budget committee explained their role in preparing the budget. Lee read the articles of the warrant and asked for input or questions for each. The chairman of the ordinance committee explained the process and reasons of creating the administrative ordinance amendment.

Candidates for the office of selectman, Sybilla Pettingill, Kathleen Landry, and Lee Holman introduced themselves and made short presentations to the residents who were present. Sybilla Pettingill has resided in Hartford for 4 years and previously resided in Lisbon Falls for 20 years. Kathleen Landry has resided in Hartford for one year and previously resided and grew up in Lewiston. Lee Holman has resided in Hartford for 46 years and previously resided in Lewiston. All candidates stated that volunteering and community service was important to them. It was suggested the candidates go door to door to introduce themselves to residents. It was also noted that candidates were allowed to be present at the polls to greet voters as long as they did not campaign at the polls.

Present at the Selectmen's meeting: Lee Holman, Cathy Lowe, Lori Swan, Lianne Bedard, Bim McNeil, Lennie Eichman, Morrill Nason, Kathleen Landry, Sybilla Pettingill, Tim Pettingill, Richard Dyer, and representatives from NE Paving and All States Construction.

- **I** Lee called the Selectmen's meeting to order at 7:05pm.
- **II** Lee motioned to approve the Selectboard Meeting minutes of May 20, 2021 and the Special Selectmen's meeting of June 1, 2021. Cathy second. All in favor=3.
- III Lee motioned to approve A/P Warrant 32 and payroll warrants from May 26, 2021 and June 2, 2021. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

IV Reports:

1. RSU 10 Report: Richard stated that the most recent school board meeting concerned solar power options and the planning of holding future meetings only at Mtn. Valley High School and Buckfield High School for Zoom reasons.

- 2. Road Report: It was reported that work has begun on roads to prepare for paving.
 - a. Request of gravel at dumpster location on Garden Drive: Lee motioned to allow the expenditure for a load of gravel to be placed at the site of the Garden Drive dumpster. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

3. CEO Report: the board reviewed the report from Scott Mills (attached). Scott will be on vacation from June 24, 2021 to July 7, 2021.

- 4. ACO Report: none.
- 5. Planning Board Report: none.
- 6. Ordinance Committee: none.
- 7. Fire Warden Report: none.
- 8. Treasurer Report: the board was given an up to date expense detail report.
- V Calendar Reminders:

1. Absentee ballots for Annual Municipal Election available June 6, 2021

2. Municipal Election July 6, 2021/Annual Town Meeting 7/10/2021 9am@town hall

3. RSU10 Referendum June 8, 2021 8-8 @ Hartford Town Hall

VI Unfinished Business:

1. Paving Bid opening: the board opened and reviewed 5 paving bids. Lee motioned to accept the bid from Northeast Paving. Lori 2nd. All in favor=3.

2. Town Report Cover/Dedication: Lee motioned to approve the presented cover and dedication of the annual town report. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

3. Town Report Selectmen's annual report. Cathy motioned to approve the selectmen annual report for the town report. Lee second. All in favor=3.

4. Sharing Motor Vehicle services. It was reported that Sumner has agreed to sharing Motor Vehicle registration services and a letter will be sent to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for authorization. The towns of Buckfield and Canton have decided not join the shared services that were offered.

5. Quit Claim Deed Young/Tucker revision: the quitclaim deed approved at the previous board meeting was prepared with information provided by the buyer's attorney and was found to be incorrect. Lee motioned to approve the revised quit claim deed releasing liens to William Tucker from the 1950's. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

6. Animal Shelter search: A proposal from Responsible Pet Care has not been received as of this date. Kozy Kennels has stated that if we are unsuccessful in finding a shelter for the 2021-2022 year, she may agree to continue the service for the town of Hartford.

VII Open Session:

1. A bill in the amount of \$318.00 was received for the upcoming year's cost of the town website. Lianne is having trouble using the current website and asked if the board wanted to pay the bill or research other options. Tabled.

2. A decision has been made by the Maine Workers Compensation Board concerning an employee claim. Tabled until the next meeting as an executive session item.

VIII New Business:

1. Beach Sticker issuance: Lianne asked for clarity concerning the beach sticker issuance. Tabled.

2. Employee Reviews: the board agreed to hold reviews on June 15th at 6pm and June 17th at 6pm. Lianne will contact employees to set up times/dates.

3. Timber Harvesting/Transfer Station: It was suggested that forester, Merle Ring, be hired to inspect the property of the old transfer station for timber harvesting at approximately \$50.00/hour. Since money was not included in the 2021-2022 budget for this service this will be revisited at the time of budget preparation for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

IX Appointments/Resignation:

1. Lee motioned to appoint Dana Whittemore as a ballot clerk. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

X Training: none.

- **XI Review Correspondence**: the board reviewed correspondence. The board reviewed correspondence. Maine recreational trails grant will be added to the next agenda.
- XII Lee motioned to adjourn at 9:37pm. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Minutes approved by:

Lee HolmanDateCathy LoweDate

Lori Swan

Date