Town of Hartford

Selectmen’s Meeting

Approved Minutes

September 15, 2022

7PM@ Hartford Town Hall & via Zoom

Present in person: Selectmen Cathy Lowe, Lee Holman, Susan Goulet, Town Clerk Lianne Bedard, residents Nancy Sullivan and Ken Violette.

Present via Zoom: Residents Jen Bonaventura, Richard Dyer, Tim Kirwan, Lennie Eichman, Dan Larochelle, and NT207.

I Cathy called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

II Susan motioned to approve the minutes of September 1, 2022 Selectmen’s meeting and September 8, 2022 Special Selectmen’s meeting. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

III. Lee motioned to approve Warrant 6 and Payroll Warrants of September 7, 2022 and September 14, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

IV Reports

1. RSU 10 Report: It was reported that there was a meeting held on August 22nd where the increase in student enrollment was discussed as well as openings for Ed Techs and an executive session was held.

2. Road Report: The Board reviewed the report submitted by the Road Commissioner (attached).

3. Constable Report: None.

4. CEO Report: None.

5. ACO Report: None.

6. Planning Board Report: The Board reviewed minutes of the August 1, 2022 meeting.

7. Ordinance Committee: None.

8. Fire Warden Report: None.

9. Treasurer Report: The Board reviewed the August bank reconciliations and Lianne asked the Board for their thoughts on the 2019 Capital Outlay CD balance issue as reported in the Treasurer’s Report on August 18, 2022. Lianne suggested either a special town meeting or regular town meeting article to raise or appropriate the funds to replace money approved to be spent from the CD to pay for the HEBE Engineering of the Pratt Hill Road Project in 2019. The withdrawal was approved by the Board in 2019 but the funds were never moved from the CD to the checking account. The balance of the CD is currently insufficient to correct the issue since the Board approved a withdrawal from to pay for the Town Hall furnace. No decision was made.

V Calendar Reminders

a. Beach Workshop October 6, 2022 6-7pm

b. Tax Sale Bids due October 6, 2022

VI Unfinished Business:

1. Newsletter Deadline 9/15/2022: Cathy motioned to accept the letter from the Board for the newsletter which Susan presented as amended. Susan second. All in favor=3.

2. Workers Compensation case update: The October 4, 2022 hearing has been canceled.

3. Emergency Response Plan update: Tabled.

4. Emergency Operations Plan update: Tabled.

VII Open Session:

1. Lee stated that she attended the September 6, 2022 Planning Board meeting and she and a Planning Board member needed to use their phones to look something up but there was no internet and stated that the hall should have internet available at all times. Lianne explained that after the Selectmen’s meeting on September 1, 2022 she asked the Board whether or not to leave the Wi-Fi Router at the hall since the hall was rented for an event on that Saturday and the last time the hall was used the router was damaged and the town had to spend $350.00 for a new system. The Board had agreed to keep the router in the office for the weekend. Monday was a holiday so the router was not placed back in time for the meeting. Lee stated that she did not have time to go to the office to retrieve the router for the meeting. It was suggested that a secure box be built to house the router to prevent damage.

2. The Board chose the date of October 5, 2022 7pm (first Wednesday of the month) for the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee to meet.

VIII New Business:

1. General Assistance Ordinance Hearing date Lee motioned to hold a hearing on October 20, 2022 at 6:45pm to discuss the new general assistance ordinance changes. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

2. Quit Claim Deeds/Dakin, Lafreniere, Bonney, Nichols, Wallace: Lee motioned to approve quit claim deeds to each of the following: Manley Dakin, Lance Lafreniere, Lorne Bonney, Eric Nichols, and Dwight Wallace to release liens and transfer ownership back to them for payment of all back taxes. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

IX Appointments/Resignation: Lee motioned to appoint Bonita Bishop to the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee with a term to expire in June of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Loando Brann to the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee with a term to expire in June of 2023. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Susan motioned to appoint Morrill Nason as alternate member of the Cemetery Committee with a term to expire in June of 2023. Cathy second. All in favor=3. (It was determined after the meeting that the new Administrative Ordinance Part II does not allow the appointment of alternates for the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee. So this appointment is deemed invalid).

X Training: No interest.

XI Review Correspondence: The Board reviewed correspondence.

XII Cathy adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm.

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Cathy Lowe Date

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Lee Holman Date

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Susan Goulet Date

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Road Report

September 15, 2022

Darrington Road has been ditched and all cross culverts have been changed. Six 40’x24” also (40’x60” Jeff Sterns) project and seeded/mulched.

Goding road has had 40’x60” culverts replaced and rip rap placed about 200’ by cemetery. That finished Jeff Sterns project and Lianne has a folder for Jeff with all receipts.

Green Acres Road has been ditched, we installed one 60’x24” culvert, furnished by the State, and two 40’x24” cross culverts and three driveway culverts. The road has had rip rap placed and has been seeded and mulched.

We will be putting crushed gravel on the road tomorrow or Monday.

Pratt Hill road work will begin the first of next week once we are finished placing gravel on Green Acres Road.

We plan to do some work on Darrington Road hills and will be meeting with Jeff Beaulieu about some work on Darrington Road from Davenport Road to the end of the road near the farm. We will discuss summer maintenance and possible plans for the future of that section of road.

Dakin lane will be graded soon. We will be going by with the grader next week on way to Pratt Hill Road.

Perry Road paving should be completed by mid-October or sooner. We are all done and waiting for them.

Submitted by,

Bim McNeil,

Road Commissioner