Town of Hartford

Selectboard Meeting

August 6, 2020

**7:00 PM: Selectboard Meeting:**

Selectmen Present: Lee Holman, Cathy Lowe, Lori Swan

Others: Cindy McNeil, Raymond Hunter, Lennie Eichman, Lee Fernald, Alan Fernald, Marla Winship and Richard Dyer.

**I Call Meeting to order:** Lee called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

**II Review meeting minutes from**:

1. Selectboard Meeting on July 16, 2020: Lee moved to approve, Lori 2nd, all in favor.

**III Review Warrants**:

A/P Warrants #3 and #4 and payroll warrants: Lee moved to accept, Lori 2nd, all in favor.

**IV Reports:**

1. RSU 10 Report: No official report. It was noted that school will re-open with a modified schedule, there is an option for remote learning or homeschooling pending RSU #10 meeting on August 10th.

2. Road Report: Easements: The Selectboard discussed possible locations for town easements at the school bus turnaround on Camp Rd, by Lee’s house on Labrador Pond Rd and also on Bear Mountain Rd. It was noted that road work has been done on Tucker Rd, Town Farm Rd and Green Acres Rd. There was a complaint about work on Tucker Rd that was addressed with the Road Commissioner. Raymond Hunter mentioned that he was very happy with the crew and the work done on Green Acres Rd.

3. CEO Report: Alan Fernald is currently completing some of the necessary training online and will be working with the interim, Fred Collins to get up to speed on current projects and permits.

4. ACO Report: No report

5. Planning Board Report: The Planning Board met on Monday, August 3rd. No report as of today’s date.

6. Ordinance Committee Report: No meetings scheduled at this time.

7. Fire Warden Report:  No report

8. Treasurer Report: The Town Clerk and Deputy Clerk are continuing work with RHR Smith to get the audit completed.

**V Calendar Reminders:**

1. Daily: Check in with your neighbors-thank you!

2. RSU #10 School Board Meeting August 10th at MVHS 6:30 pm

Lori also noted that the Clothing Center is open every Saturday from 12pm-2pm

**VI Unfinished Business:**

1. Pratt Hill Culvert Grant update: Cathy has been continuing work with AVCOG for information needed regarding the dam upstream from the culvert on private land and other issues that come up during conversations regarding the Culvert Grant.

2. No Spray agreement/Board of Pesticide Control: Lori has not been able to make contact with Megan from the Board of Pesticide Control. Lori will try to contact using the Town Office email or try to locate a phone number to make contact to work on the Ordinance.

3. Updated Comprehensive Plan: Lori currently has the Town Office copy of the Comprehensive Plan and all Selectboard members are continuing to review the plan.

4. Town Meeting: The Selectboard noted that the Town Meeting will start at 9:00am on Saturday, September 19th at the HSES Gym. Cathy will get the application to the school printed and sent along with the insurance information from MMA.

5. Buckfield Rec request/Social Services on warrant: The Selectboard noted that there was recently extensive work done at the Jared Henderson field with the help of the Buckfield Rec Committee and Spencer Paving. The Selectboard would like to honor Buckfield Rec’s request for funding. Discussion was also had on whether or not to separate Social Service requests on the warrant for Town Meeting. The Selectboard came to no conclusion at this time.

6. Bear Mountain Road: Parking update, it was noted that the no parking signs have been removed on Bear Mountain Road.

**VII Open Session:** In response to citizens’ concerns about waiting outside the Town Office in the heat and sun, a tent was erected for shade. During the recent heavy wind and rain the tent collapsed and had some damage. The Selectboard spoke about possibly attempting to repair or replace the tent.

Lee scheduled a workshop for the Selectboard to work on the warrant for Town Meeting. The Selectboard will meet on Friday, August 14, 2020 at 9:00am with the Town Clerk at the Town Hall.

**VIII New Business:**

1. Recycling Bin purchase: Discussion was had on whether this would be something to bring up to the Townspeople at Town Meeting or if there would be the possibility of purchasing bins through the budget for solid waste.

2. Bulky Waste Pick-up: It was noted that bill for the recent bulky waste pick up had come in and was over $18,000. This is substantially higher than past pick-ups.

**IX Appointments/Resignation:** Lee moved to appoint the following to the Laura Fogg Irish Trust Fund:

Morrill Nason, Teresa Hinkley, Margot Dudley, David Bowen and Keith

LaRochelle, Lori 2nd, all in favor.

Lee moved to appoint the following to the Evelyn Hutchinson Trust Fund:

Lee Fernald and Arthur Harvey, Lori 2nd, all in favor.

Lee moved to appoint the following to the Ministerial and School Fund:

Cathy Lowe, Conrad Ray and Lee Fernald, Lori 2nd, all in favor.

Lee moved to appoint the following to the Cemetery Committee:

Raymond Hunter to replace Stephen Marston, Lori 2nd, all in favor.

**X Training:**

**XI Review Correspondence:** All correspondence reviewed.

**XII Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.