Town of Hartford

Selectmen’s Meeting

APPROVED MINUTES

January 6, 2022

7PM@ Hartford Town Hall & via Zoom

Present in person: Selectmen Lee Holman, Cathy Lowe, Lori Swan, Town Clerk Lianne Bedard, and resident Al Borzelli.

Present via Zoom: residents Richard Dyer and Tim Kirwan.

**I Lee c**alled the meeting to order at 7pm.

**II** Lee motioned to approve Selectmen meeting minutes of December 16, 2021 as written. Lori second. All in favor=3.

**III** Lee motioned to approve A/P Warrant 17 and Payroll Warrants dated December 22, 2021, December 29, 2021, and January 5, 2022. Lori second. All in favor=3.

**IV** Reports:

1. RSU 10 Report: a resident shared that the next meeting will be held on 1/10/2022.

2. Road Report: Agenda item for the next meeting is winter maintenance closure list for the next ten years which must be voted on at town meeting.

3. CEO Report: The Board reviewed the report from the Code Enforcement Officer.

4. ACO Report: The ACO has visited the town office to take her oath of office for 7/1/2021-6/30/2022 and sign time sheets for the current fiscal year.

5. Planning Board Report:

a.Barber Shoreland request/clarification: It was reported that the Planning Board has taken care of this issue.

6. Ordinance Committee: Next meeting will be held 1/18/2022. The Committee is working on the amendments to the Beach Ordinance.

7. Fire Warden Report:  none.

8. Treasurer Report: The Board received updated expense reports.

**V** Calendar Reminders:

1. The town office will be closed on 1/17/2022 for the holiday.

2. Ordinance Committee meeting 1/18/2022.

3. Road Committee meeting 1/11/2022.

**VI** Unfinished Business:

1. American Rescue Act Funds: The Board is considering using the funds for broadband, town office improvements, local businesses, etc. Hearing must be held before town meeting vote. It was stated that First Light plans to install broadband on Berry Road, Church Street, and Dakin Lane this year.

The Board agreed to ask the Budget Committee to hold workshops with the Selectmen to discuss how to use the funds.

**VII** Open Session:

1. Freedom of Access forms: Board members will submit forms.

2. A Board member shared that the deadline to accept Broadband grant funds is 1/11/2022.Lee motioned to accept the broadband start up grant. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

3. A resident reported on the Lake Anasagunticook Association. It was shared that Canton is in search of a new CEO. In the past year the Association was 90% successful in reaching their goals in year one to qualify for grants. Members walked ¾ of the perimeter of the lake. A ramp was built near the water district to create water access to the lake and has a ramp for ice shacks etc. and this solves the erosion problem. The Association found a couple of new erosion issues and is working to correct them. People are pleased with the snow plowing. There was a conversation with the plow contractor to slow down near Camp Road or maybe slant the plow to prevent erosion to the lake.

4. A Board member was asked whether or not there is any system to check on elderly residents in town and they answered that there is not.

**VIII** New Business:

1. Hartford news Selectmen letter: Cathy motioned to approve the Selectmen’s letter for Hartford News. Lori second. All in favor=3.

2. Town Hall use/Beehive Class: Lee motioned to allow Al Borzelli to use the town hall for a free beekeepers class to be sponsored by the Recreation Committee at no charge and to waive the insurance requirement. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

3. Town Hall use/children activities: Tabled.

4. Spirit of America nominations: The Board discussed groups or individuals to be honored. Tabled.

5. Town Meeting/Election schedule: Cathy motioned to accept the following dates for the 2022 Town Meeting and Election: Nomination papers available 3/7/2022, Nomination papers due back on 4/16/2022, Absentee ballots available on 5/14/2022, Municipal Election on 6/14/2022 and Town Meeting on 6/18/2022. Lee second. All in favor=3.

6. Fire/Rescue contracts mtg. date/Buckfield, Canton, Turner to discuss 3 yr. contracts: The Board will meet with the local fire and rescue agents on January 19th at 7pm via Zoom to discuss 3 year contracts for all services.

7. GOPIF Grant Program-deadline March & September 2022: Tabled.

**IX** Appointments/Resignation:

1. Planning Board: Tabled.

2. Ballot Clerks:

Lee motioned to appoint Richard Dyer as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Jessica Kimball as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Marguerite Dudley as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Natasha Cote as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Arlene Nason as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Pauline Chasse as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Carol Perry as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Morrill Nason as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Stephanie Frobese as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Jeffrey Murray as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Daniel Maddox as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Leslie Boness as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Cassidy Bedard as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Diane Lyons-Segee as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Dana Whittemore as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Lennie Eichman as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Daryl Boness as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Sybilla Pettingill as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Mildred MacDonald as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Susan Goulet as ballot clerk with a term to expire in February of 2024. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

X Training: none.

XI Review Correspondence: The Board reviewed.

XII Lee motioned to adjourn at 8:08pm. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Minutes approved by:

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Lee Holman Date

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Cathy Lowe Date

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Lori Swan Date