Town of Hartford

Selectmen’s Meeting

APPROVED Minutes

November 18, 2021

7PM@ Hartford Town Hall

Present: Selectmen Lee Holman, Cathy Lowe, Lori Swan, Town Clerk Lianne Bedard, Ordinance Committee Member Lennie Eichman.

I Lee called the meeting to order at 7:11pm.

II Lee motioned to approve selectmen meeting minutes from November 4, 2021. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

III Lee motioned to approve A/P warrant 14 and payroll warrants dated November 10, 2021 & November 17, 2021. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

IV Reports:

1. RSU 10 Report: none.

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

a. Road Bond correspondence: The Board reviewed the final documents from the Maine Bond Bank including the payment schedule.

3. CEO Report: The Board reviewed the report submitted by the Code Enforcement Officer (attached). The Board discussed whether or not to charge application fees for the installation of solar panels. This topic will be placed on the next Board meeting agenda.

4. ACO Report: A resident stated that she saw a post on Facebook about a rabid fox on Berry Road.

5. Planning Board Report: none.

6. Ordinance Committee: It was reported that one committee member would not be able to attend for some of the upcoming meetings. The Board recommended that alternate members of committees attend each meeting to be informed in case they are needed to fill a regular members spot.

7. Fire Warden Report:  The Board reviewed the report submitted by the Fire Warden (attached).

8. Treasurer Report: The board received up to date expense reports.

a. Bank reconciliations July-October: The Board reviewed bank reconciliations for months of July, August, September, and October of 2021.

V Calendar Reminders:

1. Broadband meeting in Sumner on December 7, 2021. A representative from Firstlight will be present.

VI Unfinished Business:

1. American Rescue Act Funds: The Board discussed using the $128,000.00 for broadband, new town office, aid to residents, daycares, etc. A door to door survey was discussed to find out how residents would like to spend the funds. All expenditures require Town Meeting approval. Tabled.

VII Open Session:

1. Hartford Food Bank: Lori requested that residents who are interested helping with the food bank meet at the Hartford Town Hall on Monday, December 6, 2021 @ 9:30am to discuss plans for the future.

VIII New Business:

1. AVCOG request for letter of support: The Board signed a letter in support of AVCOG.

2. Laura Fogg Irish donation request: Lee motioned to approve a $300.00 donation from the Laura Fogg Irish Trust to a resident of Hartford. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

IX Appointments/Resignation: Lee motioned to accept the resignation of Nicholas Tifft from the Planning Board with regrets. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

Lee motioned to appoint Daniel Larochelle as a member of the Planning Board with a term to expire in June of 2026. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

X Training:

XI Review Correspondence: none.

XII Lee motioned to adjourn at 8:50pm. Lori 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

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Road Report

November 18, 2021

Weeks ending 11/6/2021 & 11/13/2021

The paving of Camp Road has been completed.

The road crew has finished the shoulder work on Howard Road where new pavement was placed.

The shoulders on Spring Road have been filled.

A driveway entrance was installed on Goding Road for Chuck Kraske.

The dirt section of Farrand Hill Road has had gravel added and repairs were completed.

We have been working on Camp Road trying to get shoulders pulled up and were not quite finished as of November 13th.

Paving has been completed for the year and the remaining bond money will be used to finish paving by June 30, 2022.

Submitted by,

Bim McNeil

Road Commissioner

Report from the Code Enforcement Officer

Date: Nov 15th, 2021

Report:

Year to Date Building Permits Issued: 46 (see separate sheet)

Year to Date Plumbing Permits Issued: 27

This Month to Date Building Permits: 3

This Month to Date Plumbing Permits: 0

Pending Applications: 0

Open Complaints: Complaint from Connie of 46 Blueberry Dr regarding a hazard tree on the neighbor’s property that she was afraid would fall across the line onto her garage. She had approached the neighbor, but was unable to convince him to remove the tree.

Upon investigation I noticed a tall pine tree that had grown as 2 trunks. One of the trunks had split off and fallen. The other had been compromised from the split trunk, but was still standing. I advised Connie it is a civil matter and she may have to take civil action to get the neighbor to remove the tree. However, if she were to submit a Concerned Citizen Complaint, I would speak to the neighbor about the situation and maybe convince him to remove the tree.

Other:

Respectfully Submitted

G. Scott Mills

CEO/LPI Hartford, Me

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Fire Warden Report

November 17, 2021

Two Fire Permits were issued in November. One was for a fire on Swan Pond Road and the other was on Berry Road.

Submitted by

Clarence Hill

Fire Warden