Town of Hartford

Selectmen’s Meeting

Approved Minutes

March 3, 2022

7PM@ Hartford Town Hall & via Zoom

Present in person: Selectmen Lori Swan, Cathy Lowe, Lee Holman, Town Clerk Lianne Bedard and Planning Board Chair Margaret Matthews

Present via Zoom: Richard Dyer, Jen Bonaventura, and Lennie Eichman.

I Lee called the meeting to order at 7pm.

II Lee motioned to approve the Selectmen minutes of February 17, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

III Lee motioned to approve warrant 21 and payroll warrants of February 23, 2022 & March 2, 2022. Lori second. All in favor=3.

1. RSU 10 Report: It was reported that at the last meeting they decided to place two items on the ballot for the June referendum: New school and a fitness building. The school board decided to continue to follow the Maine CDC recommendations pertaining to face masks. The recommendations will be monitored daily and if Maine decides to adopt the Federal CDC recommendations, RSU 10 will also. It was reported that the school salaries will increase 3% and the superintendent declined an increase in wages.

2. Road Report

a. Grants-Goding Road & Pratt Hill/Jeff Stern: Tabled until the next meeting.

b. Winter Road Closing list: The Board agreed to hold a public hearing on March 17, 2022 6:30pm at the Hartford Town Hall and via Zoom to discuss the proposed winter closing of Marble Road, Darrington Road from 298 Darrington Road North to the end of the road, and Swan Pond Road from the intersection of Cold Spring Road North to the end of the road for a period of ten (10) years.

3. CEO Report: The Board reviewed the report submitted by the CEO. (attached)

4. ACO Report: None.

5. Planning Board Report: The Planning Board has made additional corrections to the Shoreland Zoning ordinance and will set the date of the public hearing at their meeting next Monday night. The Planning Board Chair has proposed the date of March 14, 2022 at 7pm.

6. Ordinance Committee: Next meeting will be held March 15, 2022 at 7pm to continue work on the administrative ordinance.

7. Fire Warden Report: None.

8. Treasurer Report: The Board received updated expense reports and YE 2020-21 Audits to review for the next meeting.

V Calendar Reminders

1. Nomination papers for Selectman available March 7th

2. Public Hearing March 17, 2022 6:30pm-Winter Road Closings

3. Tentative Public Hearing March 14, 2022 7pm Shoreland Zoning Ordinance

VI Unfinished Business

1. Order for secret ballot referendum-Local Option Liquor Sales: Lee motioned to place the following questions on the referendum ballot for the June election:

1. Shall the Town of Hartford authorize the State to issue licenses for the sale of liquor to be consumed on the premises of licensed establishments on days other than Sunday? M.R.S.A 28-A §123.1

2. Shall the Town of Hartford authorize the State to issue licenses for the sale of malt liquor and wine to be consumed off the premises of licensed establishments on days other than Sunday? M.R.S.A 28-A §123.2-A

3. Shall the Town of Hartford authorize the State to issue licenses for the sale of malt liquor and wine to be consumed off the premises of licensed establishments on Sundays? M.R.S.A 28-A §123.4-A

4. Shall the Town of Hartford authorize the State to issue licenses for the sale of malt liquor and wine to be consumed on the premises on Sunday? M.R.S.A 28-A §123.7

5. Shall the Town of Hartford authorize the State to issue licenses for the sale of malt liquor and wine for consumption on the premises on Sunday? M.R.S.A 28-A §123.8

Cathy second. All in favor=3.

2. Order for secret ballot election-one Selectman: Lee motioned to order a secret ballot election for one selectman on June 14, 2022. Cathy second. All in favor=3.

3. Connect Maine Start up Grant: Committee members have been suggested but a meeting has not been held. Lee will contact them to set up a meeting.

VII Open Session:

1. Town Report cover and Dedication will be on a future agenda.

2. Town Hall furnace: The Town Clerk stated that the Board may spend up to $7,500.00 from the Capital Outlay Reserve CD for any necessary equipment and/or structures that have a useful life of at least five years. The current balance is $13,929.96. We may want to use this money to help with the cost of a new furnace. Discussion included rebuilding existing furnace, heat pumps and solar panels. This item will be on the next meeting agenda.

VIII New Business:

1. Fulltime Employee status: The Town Clerk contacted MMA Health and found that Health Insurance could possibly be offered to elected officials who hold a term of two years or more. It would be up to the Board to determine if the Town would offer this to officials and how much, if any, of the premium the Town would contribute. Tabled.

IX Appointments/Resignation: None.

X Training: None.

XI Review Correspondence: The Board reviewed correspondence.

XII Lee motioned to adjourn at 8:10pm

Minutes approved by:

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Lee Holman Date

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Cathy Lowe Date

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Lori Swan Date

Report from the Code Enforcement Officer

Date: Feb 28th, 2022

Year to Date Report:

Year to Date Building Permits Issued: 2 (see separate sheet)

Year to Date Plumbing Permits Issued: 1

This Month to Date Building Permits: 2

This Month to Date Plumbing Permits: 1

Pending Applications: 0

Open Complaints:

Other: Mike Cooper called to discuss removing trees, this time with a revegetation plan and raised bed gardening, which I will support if submitted as we discussed.

Respectfully Submitted

G. Scott Mills

CEO/LPI Hartford, Me

Date Permit Number Last Name First Name Location Purpose

2/13/2022 2022-B-01 Marstaller Jerry R01-013, Rt 219 & Perry Rd 20x60 Outbuilding

2/13/2022 2022-B-02 Chamberland Kevin R05-01/02 54 Fern Way Deck

Date Permit Number Last Name First Name Location Purpose

1/5/2022 2022-P-01 White Bill 101 Beachway Internal Plumbing on a rebuild