

Town of Hartford
Selectmen's Meeting
September 18, 2008
Minutes

Present: Selectmen Jack Plumley, Lee Holman, Zoe Cowett; Town Clerk Lianne Bedard; Road Commissioner Jeremy Johnson; Comprehensive Plan Committee members Peggy Poskus, Diana Gordon, Neil Hanley; Constable Chuck Merritt; Auditor Nancy Sarchfield; and resident Marjorie Kraske.

- I. Jack called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
- II. Reports
 - A. Road Report: Selectmen reviewed the Road Commissioner's report. Lee asked Jeremy to take a look at the yarding of wood on Labrador Pond Road. Selectmen reviewed road complaints. Lee motioned to pay the cost of realigning a satellite dish on Darrington Road due to road construction. Jack second. All in favor=3. Selectmen signed road construction contracts for David Bragg, Johnson Excavation, Will's Logging and Farm Products, Clearwater, and Oxbow all to expire in December of 2008.
 - B. CEO Report: Selectmen reviewed building permits.
 - C. ACO Report: not present.
- III. New Business
 1. Auditor/Nancy Sarchfield: Nancy reviewed the audit for year ending 6/30/08 with the Selectmen. Nancy stated that everything looks good and the books were very well kept. The town still has a healthy fund balance.
 2. Ordinances/Chuck Merritt: Lee motioned to allow Chuck to bring information about an ordinance which allows the Constable to issue citations for ATV's, littering, trespassing, personal water crafts, etc. to the ordinance committee to look at with the understanding that their current duties are to come first. Jack second. All in favor=3.
 3. Inter Local Dam Maintenance Agreement: Jack motioned to send the Inter local Agreement, concerning maintenance of the Canton Lake Dam, to our attorney for review. Lee second. All in favor=3. Tabled until next meeting. Zoe motioned to sign the letter of intent addressed to Mr. David Littell, Commissioner DEP and Major General John W. Libby, Commissioner Dept. of Defense. Lee second. All in favor=2. Abstained=1. All three selectmen signed the letter of intent.
 4. Date for Selectmen site visit @ garage: Selectmen and Road Commissioner will meet at 6:30 on October 2nd at the garage to discuss building improvements.

5. Resignation: Lee motioned to accept the resignation of Armand Rowe as Alternate Road Committee member. Jack second. All in favor=3.
 6. Training: Lee motioned to allow Gale Williams to attend Transfer Station Operator training. Jack Second. All in favor=3.
 7. Hartford News Selectmen letter: Selectmen decided to include information about new board & committee members, roads, dam issue, freedom of access training, winter trash pickup etc, special town meeting, comprehensive plan; neighbors care packages and plowing across roads. Lee will put a letter together for the next meeting.
- IV. Open Session: Selectmen agreed to pay attorney fee of approx. \$700.00 for review of the comprehensive plan. Jack encourages residents to read the plan twice. Tabled until the next meeting.
- Jack motioned to take no action on a request from Michael & Jane Mickeriz to release funds from the Performance Bond on Lakefield Drive until the Road Commissioner inspects the road and the Road Commissioner must be present during the paving of the road. Lee second. All in favor=3.
- Oxford Municipal Officers Meeting & Dinner will be held at the town hall on October 29th. The speaker will be Judith Meyers from the Sun Journal to speak about Freedom of Access. Lee motioned to send a notice to all committee members. Jack second. All in favor=3.
- Selectmen signed a request for background check.
- Zoe and Jack agreed that Jeremy will inspect the winter plow equipment before the 15th of October to make sure it is ready before the contractor is paid the first payment. Zoe & Jack also agreed to come to the town office to sign the warrant for plow contract payments on the due date.
- Jack motioned to increase the insurance coverage on the town office to \$61,952.00 and the salt shed to \$250,911.00. Zoe second. All in favor=3.
- V. Old Business
1. CEO Sharing: An ad has been placed in the Sun Journal and MMA website. Due date for applications/resumes is 10/16/08.
 2. Appointments: Lee motioned to appoint Armand Rowe as Road Committee member with a term expiring 06/30/09. Jack second. All in favor=3.
 3. Dept. Labor Citations update: tabled.
 4. Roadside Tree cutting policy: Tabled
 5. Transfer Station Cleanup: Jack motioned to have tires removed at the transfer station. Zoe second. All in favor=3.
 6. MMA Risk Mgmt. insurance options: Jack motioned to decline the insurance coverage for damage to drinking water from winter road salt. Lee second. All in favor=3.
 7. Housing grants: passed over.

- VI. Jack motioned to approve Selectmen minutes of September 4, 2008. Lee second. All in favor=3.
- VII. Jack motioned to approve Warrants 25, 26, 27, & 28. Zoe second. All in favor=3.
- VIII. Selectmen reviewed correspondence.
- IX. Jack motioned to adjourn at 10:00pm. Zoe second. All in favor=3.

Minutes approved by:

Jack Plumley Date _____

Lee Holman Date _____

Zoe Cowett Date _____