

Town of Hartford
Selectmen's Meeting
April 5, 2007
Minutes

Present: Selectmen Hope McCabe, David Bowen, and Lee Holman, ACO Rick Houghton, Clerk Lianne Bedard, Buckfield Town Manager Glen Holmes, Buckfield Rescue personnel Tony Lord and Lisa Libby, Buckfield Fire Chief Steve Bly, Residents Grace Goudreau and John Bernier.

- I. David called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.
- II. Open Session: Grace Goudreau and John Bernier from Camp Road, Hartford could not get out of Camp Road tonight with their car. They stated that the plow contractor met with John in the fall and was shown where to dump snow and where the turnaround was located. They also stated that the contractor is dumping the snow in the driveway blocking the entrance. Tenants of John have given notice due to no access to the road each time there is a storm. According to Grace Goudreau following the storm on 2/14/07 Camp road was not plowed until 3 days later. Grace stated that plowing with a pickup truck is not sufficient. A large truck needs to be used. Today, after Grace finally made it out of her road (after John had plowed it), she stated that she met Rick Houghton cleaning up Main St. when her road had not been touched. David will take a ride down Camp Road tonight to see how the road is. This item will appear on the next agenda of the Board of Selectmen. John Bernier stated that he would be sending a bill for plowing, loss of wages, and loss of income from tenants.
- III. Reports
 1. Road Report
 - a. Road sign/Little Beaver Way: Selectmen agreed to purchase a corrected sign for Little Beaver Way. The current sign states: Littlebeaver Lane.
 2. CEO Report: not present.
 3. ACO Report: no news.
- IV. New Business
 1. Fire/Rescue Coverage/Glen Holmes: Canton, Turner, and Buckfield Fire & Rescue personnel were invited to this meeting to review coverage areas in Hartford. Hope stated that continuity of service and safety issues are a concern. David stated that a call for an ambulance at the town office resulted in a wait of 25 minutes for Turner Rescue to arrive. Steve Bly stated that when he attended the Hartford meeting two years ago concerning coverage and E911 issues, the problem was expected to be resolved concerning contacting the correct aiding town to cover certain areas of Hartford but, towns are currently called to service the incorrect areas of Hartford. Lianne will contact Judy Knight from Verizon to request an updated map of coverage areas and to inquire about current dispatching problems. Selectmen and

Buckfield officials agreed on the following changes according to telephone numbers:

597- Buckfield Rescue/ Canton Fire
388-Buckfield Fire/Buckfield Rescue
224-Buckfield Rescue/Turner Fire

The Verizon map will be compared to the current coverage map. Glen Holmes stated that they bill residents for rescue service provided. Med-Care in Mexico may be considered for Farrand Rd. rescue coverage at \$12.00 per resident.

2. David motioned to enter into Executive Session Personnel-pursuant to 1MRSA, Section 405, subsection 6(A) at 7:45pm. Hope second. All in favor=3.
David motioned to exit executive session at 7:55pm. Hope second. All in favor=3.
David motioned to not pay wages to Gail Williams for attending the Transfer Station Operators Forum held in February 2007. Lee second. All in favor=3.
3. Abatements: David motioned to deny an abatement for Alan McNeil on Map R10 Lot 2.2. Hope second. All in favor=3.
David motioned to deny an abatement for Jeffrey Richards for Map U08 Lot 2-7. Hope second. All in favor=3.
4. Bureau of Elections/Accessibility grant: Receipts and compliance form signed by the CEO must be returned to the Bureau of Elections by June 29, 2007 in order to be considered for the up to \$3,500.00 grant reimbursement. The grant is available to municipalities that need to make improvements concerning Disabled Access to the polls. David will research costs of a new cement ramp and doors for the front entrance to the Town Hall.
5. Non-resident Garbage/Dumpsters: Lee stated that out of town residents are disposing of garbage & recyclables in the dumpster located on Moses Young Rd. The person leaving the material is believed to be living on Fields Hill Road in Sumner. David suggested placing a sign on the dumpster and contact the sheriff's office and let them handle the situation. Lee stated that she might contact the constable first and have him take photos.
6. SAD# 39 Draft Budget: Selectmen will review the budget figures.
7. AVCOG Ballot: Selectmen filled out ballot.
8. Training: David motioned to allow Lianne to attend the Records Mgmt. workshop and Managing Conflict workshop. Hope second. All in favor=3.
Lee motioned to allow Rick Houghton to attend the Aco Training workshop. David second. All in favor=3.
9. EMA Committee meeting/Cert Training: EMA Committee meeting date previously scheduled for April 10th has been canceled. Tom Standard will contact us when the meeting is rescheduled.

10. Laura Fogg Irish Request: Lee motioned to approve the donation of \$300.00 to a Hartford Resident from the Laura Fogg Irish Trust Fund. The Trustees of the Fund made the request. David second. All in favor=3.
 11. Inform me subscription: Lianne suggested enrolling in Inform Me., a website which provides free employee background checks and access to Motor Vehicle records to municipalities. Selectmen agreed to enroll.
 12. David Trask & Sons Bonding Co. release: David signed the Bond form stating that the contract is 95% complete.
 13. Sympathy Cards: Selectmen signed cards.
- V. Old Business
1. Maine Local Roads/Traffic sign program: In order to qualify for 75% reduction on warning and regulatory signs, a representative for the town must attend training. David motioned to allow Willie Bragg to attend the local road workshop on April 12, 2007. Hope second. All in favor=2 with 1 abstaining.
 2. Youth Sports/Budget Process: David suggested placing an article in the town meeting warrant, with advice from the auditor, to treat Hartford Youth Sports as any other charity or Social Service.
 3. Ordinance Committee Members update: A certified letter was sent to two members of the Ordinance Committee requesting they reply to determine whether or not they were interested in remaining on the committee. They have both replied and stated that they are interested in remaining members and would attend scheduled meetings.
 4. Shelter fee increase/Cats: Tabled.
 5. Equipment Savings/CD rates: David motioned to create an Equipment Account CD with Equipment savings funds at Northeast Bank. Hope second. All in favor=3.
- VI. David motioned to approve Selectmen minutes from 3/15/07: Hope second. All in favor=3.
- VII. David motioned to approve Warrants 65, 66, 67, 68, & 69. Hope second. All in favor=3.
- VIII. Selectmen reviewed correspondence.
- IX. David motioned to adjourn at 9:15pm. Lee second. All in favor=3.

Minutes approved by:

David Bowen

Date

Lee Holman

Date

Hope McCabe

Date

