

Town of Hartland

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Re: Regular Meeting of the Board of Finance Minutes

Date: June 17, 2020 Time: 7:30 PM

Place: Zoom Virtual Meeting

Attendance: Chair Deborah Gilpin, Vice Chair Tim Irwin, Nicole Bernabo, Heather Gust, Holly Martin, Tom Kean, Frank Monchun, Imma Canelli-Superintendent, Magi Winslow-First Selectman, Karen Eseppi-Treasurer, Scott Levan – Selectman, Greg Sottile - Selectman

- 1. The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Chair Deborah Gilpin. Chair Deborah Gilpin made a motion to seat Tom Kean as an alternate for the meeting. Holly Martin seconded the motion. Tom Kean abstained. Motion carried.
- 2. Minutes from the May 20, 2020 meeting were read. Chair Deborah Gilpin made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Tim Irwin seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 3. Expenses/Reports:
 - Board of Education: As of May 31, 2020, 83.39% of the budget has been expended. They are currently working on completing several projects. Transportation is the biggest concern with the social distancing six feet guideline. Tim Irwin stated that Connecticut Transit buses have individuals enter the bus from the back entrance to eliminate contact with the driver (who has a barrier shield around him/her), and everyone is wearing a mask and sitting next to other individuals already on the bus.
 - Board of Selectmen: As of May 31, 2020, 82.5% of the budget has been expended. They are working on catching up with year end bills. The Town is purchasing a new roller, sweeper, and metal detector. The Town is also applying for FEMA and CRF relief, which would help with Coronavirus shutdowns. FEMA's relief is 75% of costs, while CRF picks up the 25% FEMA does not. The State of Connecticut has \$5.5 million for "safe elections" for the primaries in August and the Presidential Election in November. The lease has been signed for the Winsum House, but they are still working on repairs. The first months rent has been returned to the tenant. Hard wired cameras will be installed at the Transfer Station. The Town Hall, Berg Field, and the top area of Camp Alice Merritt will have wireless cameras installed.
 - Treasurer: Some of the Coronavirus money has been put into a suspended account. We are doing very well with taking in 102.8% on tax collections. We have received all expected money from the State. Yes, we have not seen much from the State on the school roof project. We should look at surrounding towns for how they handle their transfer stations.
 - Chair Deborah Gilpin made a motion to accept reports as presented. Nicole Bernabo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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4. Old Business:

- The final lease on the communication tower has been signed. Work on it could begin at the end of the year.
- 5. New Business: Gun permits are greatly on the rise in town. Frank Monchun suggested closing the Transfer Station and having Paines pick up for all town residents since only about 40% of residents currently utilize the Transfer Station. First Selectman, Magi Winslow, stated that it would probably be a huge expense for the town and will look into it.
- 6. The next meeting for the Board of Finance is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 7:30 pm. As the it gets closer to that date, Chair Deborah Gilpin will decide if there is a need for the meeting or if it will be cancelled. Chair Deborah Gilpin made a motion to adjourn the virtual Zoom Meeting for the Board of Finance on June 17, 2020 at 8:37 pm. Tim Irwin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Connie Irwin
Recording Secretary