

Town of Hartland

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MINUTES MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020

Held via telephone conference all due to coronavirus guidelines/restrictions

Magi Winslow, Scott Levan, Karen Eseppi (Treasurer), Gary Levvis, Pete Sevetz

The meeting was called to order at 7:32p.m. by First Selectman Magi Winslow.

Motion: Scott Levan/Magi Winslow – Unanimous To approve minutes from previous meetings.

Motion: Magi Winslow/Scott Levan— Unanmous To approve Expense Reports for September, 2020.

Coronavirus Update – Town Offices

All Town buildings remain closed to the general public but are functioning well and appointments are available for those that might need them. Offices have long ago returned to Regular hours (all the offices will close at 4pm so that nobody is left in the office alone): Town Clerk, Assessors, Tax Collector are open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday from 10am to noon and 1pm to 4pm. The Registrars have office hours on Wednesday from 1 to 4. The Selectmen's Office is open Monday through Thursday. Payables and staff are available from 9am to 4pm. Magi Winslow is in the Office from 8am through 4pm and available by phone afterhours. The Town Hall remains closed on Friday for sanitation and in the event repairs/work needs to be done on the building. Magi continues to work from home on Fridays from 8am to noon. Nellie B. West Building at Camp Alice Merritt is available to our Boards and Commissions for "open air" meetings if requested. It is kept "sanitized" and would be cleaned after any such meeting. The Governor has extended the Emergency Order (Covid) until February. 2021. NWCOG reports that almost all Towns in our NWCOG framework are operating in the same manner as our Town Hall, with the exception of two Towns that are partially open, but have strict guidelines for "shadowing" people coming in/out and then deep cleaning/sanitizing many times during office hours. The skeletal staff working at Hartland Town is not able to provide these extra safeguards and we remain closed to the general public until further notice as do the Hartland Town Garage, Library and Fire Department buildings.

Old Business

Magi Winslow reported the "Dam" projects scheduled at Camp Alice Merritt and Berg Pond remain on hold due to the coronavirus restrictions.



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The Communications Tower to be located on Town Property (Rte. 179) is moving forward. The State and Town contracts were signed. Town permits are still in effect and do not need to be reissued. Mariner estimates building will begin during the winter months for a possible finish date in late Spring. This tower will house equipment for LCD, our fire departments, ambulances, state police and other emergency departments – possibly cell carriers.

The Town of Hartland held a "open air" hearing for three Cease/Desist orders (HiView Road in West Hartland) at Berg Field on September 23, 2020 at 7pm. The "Wetlands" citation was held back without prejudice and could possibly move ahead at a later date. The P&Z order for an illegal business was upheld and a fine of \$2200.00 was applied. The bear baiting order was also upheld.

The date to receive resumes and applications for the two positions at the Hartland Town Garage/Transfer Station has closed. Very few resumes were received. The applicants will be reviewed for certifications and criteria. The hiring board is being assembled and interviews will be held. We hope to hire for at least one of the positions within the next 2 to 4 weeks. The transfer station position may be put on hold for the foreseeable future and we will re-advertise at that point.

Scott Eisenlohr/IWC spoke concerning the conditions of the IWC permit that was issued (and still in effect) for the Tower (Rte. 179) – specifically the change in Soil Scientist (as the person passed away since the original test/paperwork). Northwest Conservation Commission has agreed to serve as the Soil Scientist for this project. They will monitor the site.

Motion: Magi Winslow/Scott Levan – Unanimous

To approve the change in Soil Scientist for Hartland Tower #3 (Rte. 179)

Motion: Magi Winslow/Greg Scott Levan - Unanimous

To adjourn the meeting at 8:03pm

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