



# Town of Hartland

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## MINUTES MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2021

Meeting was held via Zoom due to coronavirus guidelines/restrictions.

Attending: Magi Winslow, Scott Levan, Greg Sottile, Karen Eseppi, Peter Sevetz

The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 7:33p.m. by First Selectman Magi Winslow.

Motion: Magi Winslow/Greg Sottile– Unanimous  
To approve minutes from previous meeting(s) as presented.

Motion: Magi Winslow/Scott Levan – Unanimous  
To approve Expense Reports for November, 2021.

Greg Sottile asked about the “legal” Line #011 – he asked what the breakout of the expenditure was and how much was for the “FOI” legal costs. Karen Eseppi was able to look at the breakout and reported the amount in the November Expense report was for the “bear” case. We usually are 1-2 months behind in legal billing coming from the Town’s Attorney’s Office. She further reported there were FOI expenses in previous months. Magi reported we should be seeing expenditures for FOI in the next many months as we have used our Attorney for Mark Sevetz FOI complaint(s) against the Town and for Peter Sevetz’s complaint scheduled for January, 2022. Both Scott and Greg would like these expenditures broken out each month.

### Update Coronavirus/Town Buildings:

There has been no change in rules/status for Town Buildings. The State of CT has left decisions up to the individual Town Governments. We continue to be concerned about the Delta and the new Omicron variant and transmission. Masks, social distancing and sanitizing are required for any meetings or events in Town Buildings. The BOS will reassess each month to make sure employee and resident safety are maintained. Hartland is currently in “red” status for Covid infection reporting.

The Hartland ARP Board will continue to focus on the repair/update of the Nellie B. West Town Shelter. Karen Eseppi will reach out to Martin Heft in the State to get a clearer understanding of approved expenditures/guidelines as we proceed with expending our grant. Chief Davis of EHVFD spoke with Magi Winslow to ask about equipment that would be beneficial to both Fire Departments. One item discussed was a SCBA Fill Station to fill Scott Air packs. More information will be forthcoming.

There was discussion concerning the FD 501C3. Pete Sevetz reported the Attorney that was assisting the Fire Departments will no longer be working with them due to his increased work schedule. He reported that any files concerning the issue were lost.



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Magi Winslow will contact the Attorney and gather more information. It would seem that any files/information of work completed and paid for would be/should be available to the client.

Motion: Magi Winslow/Greg Sottile – Unanimous

To approve a Tax Refund to Vault Trust, Nashville, TN in the amount of \$43.06 from the 2019 Grand List (MV) as requested by the Tax Collector.

Motion: Magi Winslow/Scott Levan – Unanimous

To approve the attached Meeting Schedule for 2022

Motion: Magi Winslow/Greg Sottile – Unanimous

To table the Agenda Item #8 concerning the rental of Town Buildings. Magi has not yet received the information (CIRMA Tulip Program) for additional insurance available to residents.

## New Business

Motion: Magi Winslow/Scott Levan – Unanimous

To increase the Cemetery Plot cost at West Hartland Cemetery from \$400.00 to \$500.00 as we try to keep our prices consistent with the EH Cemetery Association plot costs. The new price change will be effective as of 1/1/2022.

This year the Transfer station will be open on 12/26/21 (Christmas Holiday) and 1/2/22 (New Year's Holiday).

The Planned Hartland Town Event "Fire on the Mountain – a Hartland Christmas" will be postponed until January due to rainy weather.

Magi Winslow reported she had a meeting with our Building Inspector from Granby. Currently Hartland charges \$10.00 per thousand feet for building permits. Granby and most of the other Towns charge at least \$16.00 per thousand feet. Hartland has been losing quite a bit of money in the past many years. The BOS will take this into consideration and make a determination at a future meeting.

There was discussion of a new federal holiday identified (Juneteenth on June 19<sup>th</sup>) and a name change for Columbus Day in October. The BOS will discuss this further.

Since Christmas Day and New Year's Day both fall on Saturday this Holiday season, the Town Hall/Buildings will be closed on the following Monday, as is our written policy. Magi reported the Town Hall/Garage will close ½ day early the Wednesday and Thursday (December 22,23, 2021). The Town Hall/Garage will close ½ for the New Year's Holiday (to be determined when the Employee gathering is determined). All such information will be posted at Town Hall and be available on our website.

Motion: Magi Winslow/Scott Levan – unanimous

To adjourn the meeting at 8:19p.m. Respectfully submitted, Magi Winslow



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