

Town of Hartland

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MINUTES MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023

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

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

Motion: Magi Winslow/Greg Sottile— Unanimous To approve the April, 2023 Minutes as presented.

Motion: Magi Winslow/Greg Sottile - Unanimous To approve the Expense Report(s) for April, 2023.

Update Coronavirus/Town Buildings:

Magi Winslow reported masking is now voluntary at all Town buildings. Currently, Boards/Commissions have the option of "in person meeting", Zoom meeting or both. Sanitizer/masks are still available in the Town Hall lobby and in the Offices at Town Hall. If you are showing symptoms of Covid or have been exposed to someone who has Covid, please do not come into the Town Buildings or attend Town events until it is safe to do so. The Board of Selectmen sincerely thanks you for your patience and your consideration. The BOS remains watchful as it relates to Town buildings/events and Covid exposures.

HARP Board Update

The Food Bank at Nellie B. West Building (Camp Alice Merritt) is nearing completion. The BOS is awaiting the proposal from our Security Company for additional safety monitors/items needed for the new construction area. This proposal will need to go to the Fire Marshal for his approval. Scott Levan asked Peter Sevetz how long that might take, as we are trying to get the food bank up and running as soon as possible. Peter answered it should take just a couple of days.

There was continued discussion concerning increasing the cost of building permits in Hartland. Our Building Inspector has reported that we are far below other towns in relation to permit costs. Granby currently charges \$16.00 per 1000ft. The BOS is in agreement to raise the fees. We will gather the backup information needed and finalize the permit increase shortly.



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Greg Sottile, Chairman of Hartland's State Mandated Affordable Housing Committee/Plan reported the Town has held the 2 mandated community forums to date and continues to meet monthly. 235 completed community surveys have been received and are being reviewed by the Committee.

There has been much discussion concerning the Transfer Station. As previously reported, our fees (haulers) were increased by 50%. There have also been increases to our compactors and other services we depend upon. We continue to contact other companies and/or other solutions for the Town of Hartland. For the last many, many years we have been trying to update our "Price List" for disposal of items at the Transfer Station. The last update was in 2005 and many items are extremely underpriced. Greg Sottile and Scott Levan have been working together to update the Transfer Station Price List. The new list will be presented/approved shortly.

The BOS Regular Monthly Meetings will be held in person until the next winter season (to be determined). The Meeting scheduled for June 12, 2022, will be held in West Hartland.

Public Comments and Communications:

Peter Sevetz asked if we have/or have had any complaints in reference to our "Blight Ordinance". Magi Winslow replied we have had only had two. One subsequently had a house fire on the property and the other is being taken care of by the family after the death of the owner.

Peter Sevetz asked about the current status of the house on Balance Rock Road that burned last year. Magi Winslow asked if there was any report from the Fire Marshals Office (State). Our Building Official has condemned the Property and we await the demolition of the property. Magi will call our Building Office and see what the current status is.

Magi Winslow's (zoom administrator) internet cut out at this point in the meeting and the Zoom connection was lost. Greg Sottile called Magi from his cell phone and was able to put her on speaker so that everyone was able to hear her. The meeting Agenda was then completed and a call was made to Adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Magi Winslow/Scott Levan – Unanimous To adjourn the meeting at 8:36p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Magi Winslow



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