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Town of Hartland  
Selectboard Meeting  
June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
**Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Selectboard Members present in-person: Phil Hobbie, Chair, Thomas Kennedy, Vice-Chair, Trace Tancreti, Clyde Jenne and Jim Rielly.

Others present in person: John Broker-Campbell, Dana Jacobson-Goodhue, Sherry Clarke, Valerie Raney, David Dukeshire, Bruce and Gloria Merritt, Matt Dunne, and Makenzie W & Lyndsy.

Others present via Zoom: Tom Ayer, The Vermont Standard, Chuck Fenton, and Matthew Oscadal.

Present from CATV: Rayce Gilbert

The Hartland Selectboard Meeting was called to order by Phil Hobbie, Chair, to act on the warned agenda items.

- **Selectboard's Minutes and Orders:** Jim made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting. Trace seconded the motion. A correction was noted for the minutes. All voted in favor. Jim made a motion to accept the orders through today, June 16<sup>th</sup>. Tom seconded the motion. There was a brief discussion. All voted in favor.
- **Adjustment to Agenda:** Phil requested a discussion under New Business for an alternative representative to the Two Rivers board.
- **Public Comments:** Rob Anderegg, from the Conservation Commission, gave a brief update on The Pohl Property, noting there is a Celebration on Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Pohl Property. Chuck Fenton inquired about public funds expended on the Sunnymede Farm Litigation. John gave a rough estimate of \$28,000. David Dukeshire, Chair of The Planning Commission, made comments regarding The Planning Commission and the Sunnymede suit. David discussed communication between the Selectboard and The Planning Commission, assistance with files and minutes taking. There was a brief discussion of postings of agendas. Phil noted that Marcy Hong and Alden Hall asked he mention an event at Sumner Mansion, The bicentennial of Lafayette's Farewell Tour on June 28<sup>th</sup>.
- **Old Business:**

1. **Windsor Early Childhood Education Center proposed lease:** John explained that The Windsor Early Childhood Education Center was looking to take over Valerie Raney's lease at the Childcare Center. Lyndsy and Makenzie were in attendance representing the Windsor Early Childhood Education Center. They are looking to expand the capacity using rooms that are currently not utilized. There have been safety inspections of the building and John noted we will receive a report. There was a discussion of lease length.
2. **Three Corners Intersection Lights:** Phil made opening comments in regard to this discussion. There was discussion of location, wired lights, solar, flood lights, and pricing. There were public comments. John noted that we will get quotes on 8 solar lights that work in February with multiple options for Lumineers.
- **New Business:**
  1. **Dog Warrant:** John provided the Dog Warrant, noting that the Selectboard signs; it then gets sent to the Animal Control Officer and The Constable to encourage residents to register their dogs. Jim made a motion to approve the Dog Warrant for 2025. Tom seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
  2. **Liquor License, Maple Street Catering:** Jim made a motion that we approve the application for Request to Cater permit for Maple Street Catering LLC on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Tom seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
  3. **Howe Property Discussion:** Rob Anderegg gave information on the Howe Property. It was conserved in 2018, with retained ownership of the property. The family is now thinking about moving on from the property. They have thought of possibly donating the property to the town. It is 36 acres starting at the intersection of Mace Hill Rd and Cobb Hill Rd. There were questions and comments from the Selectboard.
  4. **Conservation Commission Appointments:** There are two applications, one from Todd Cross and Olivia Tregubov. Rob gave information on the candidate process. These terms expire in 2026. Jim made a motion that we accept Todd Cross and Olivia Tregubov for the remainder of the current open terms which expire in 2026. Trace seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
  5. **NEMRC Contract for Assessing Services:** John has a meeting next Wednesday morning to go through the roles and responsibilities with NEMRC. Once this is completed, the contract will be signed. We are unsure yet who will be covering Hartland for in office work. There was discussion and questions from the Selectboard
  6. **Windsor County Sheriff Contract:** John explained that this is the second year of this contract. The cost has gone up from \$65 an hour to \$75 an hour. There was brief discussion.
  7. **Two Rivers Ottaquechee Regional Commission:** Phil explained that Steve Cone is the primary appointment to the board; we need an alternate and are proposing John to become the alternate. Tom made a motion that we make John the alternate to the Two

Rivers Ottaquechee Regional Commission for one year. Clyde seconded the motion. All voted in favor. There was discussion.

- **Town Manager Update:** John gave the update, noting that we requested additional funding from VTrans for the Jenneville Densmore Hill culvert design. We were able to get an amendment to cover that. We have hired someone for roadside mowing. John suggested holding an Open Meeting Law training course. We are waiting for a final date for the removal of the tractor from the brook. We have an estimate for ditch work on the Quechee Rd. For two weeks of work the estimate is just shy of \$50,000. The auditors will be here the week of July 21<sup>st</sup>. The Sunnymede appeal was unsuccessful. We are still working on finding a buyer for the F550.
- **Future Agenda Items:**
  1. **North Hartland Covered Bridges**
  2. **Cemetery Committee:**
  3. **Bird Hill Road:**
  4. **Lull Farm Lane:**

**Correspondence:** Property Valuation and Review has reminded us we need to reappraise.

The next Selectboard Meeting will be held on Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes taken and submitted by Cheyenne Latimer