



TOWN OF HARTFORD SPECIAL SELECTBOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, August 26, 2025, 6:00pm
Hartford Town Hall, 171 Bridge Street,
White River Junction, VT 05001

This meeting was conducted in person at Town Hall

Present: Chair, Mary Erdei; Vice Chair, Michael Hoyt; Clerk, Ashley Andreas; Miranda Dupre; Ida Griesemer; Erik Krauss; John Haverstock; Lana Livingston; Lannie Collins; Tim Fariel; John Haffner; Kristen DePrizio Pelletier; Kim Souza; Joe Major; Jen Kravitz; Cathy Melock; Paulette Osborne; David Briggs; Peggy Adams.

JAM LINK: <https://www.youtube.com/live/dJ5QsY-ni0c>

- I. Call to Order the Selectboard Meeting by Chair, Mary Erdei at 6:03PM.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance was recited and led by Lannie Collins
- III. Selectboard
 1. Brief Introductory Remarks from Chair, Mary Erdei
 2. Interviews of Selectboard Vacancy Applicants
 - a. Lannie Collins
 - b. Kristen DePrizio Pelletier
 - c. Michael Eigenbrode - Withdrew
 - d. Tim Fariel
 - e. John Haffner
- IV. Executive Session: Discuss and Evaluate Selectboard Vacancy Applicants
Selectboard Vice Chair, Mike Hoyt made the motion
To Move to find that premature general public knowledge would clearly place this body or persons involved at a substantial disadvantage, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. Section 313 (a) (1).
And to Move to discuss a personnel matter, including the future appointment of a resident to fill a Selectboard vacancy, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. Section 313 (a)(3).
Selectboard Member, Miranda Dupre seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Selectboard Clerk, Ashley Andreas made the motion to close the Executive Session at 7:33pm. Selectboard Member, Miranda Dupre seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- V. Announce Selection of New Selectboard Member

Selectboard Clerk, Ashley Andres moved that Pursuant to Section 203(a)(1)(E) of the Town of Hartford Charter, I move that the Selectboard appoint Tim Fariel to fill the Selectboard vacancy and to serve through Town Meeting Voting Day on Tuesday, March 3, 2026. Selectboard Vice Chair, Mike Hoyt seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.
- VI. Continue Discussion/Planning of Public Engagement Event
Selectboard Member, Erik Krauss made the motion that the Selectboard direct the Town Manager to organize a Selectboard public engagement event for the 1st Friday in October to be held at the Filling Station from 5:30 – 7:00PM. Details to follow. Selectboard Vice Chair, Mike Hoyt seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

- VII. Public Comment – Kim Souza of Hartford Village asked for an update on the FIPP Status. She recommended that it was perhaps time to involve the ACLU.
- VIII. Selectboard Comments and Announcements: Mary Erdei attended the ribbon cutting for the Fire Station #2 in Quechee.
- IX. Adjourn the Selectboard Meeting: **Selectboard Vice Chair, Mike Hoyt made the motion to adjourn the Selectboard Meeting at 7:55PM. Selectboard Member, Erik Krauss seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.**



Ashley Andreas, Clerk
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