

**Town of Cornish  
Selectmen's Business Meeting  
May 27, 2015**

Dan Sherman, Emily Ward and Karen James were present for the business meeting.

Selectmen Business Meeting Minutes of May 13, 2015 and Warrants for Payroll and Accounts Payable were reviewed and signed.

Liquor License Applications for Phat Boys and Sacopee House of Pizza reviewed against 2014, no issues found, they were approved.

Heli Modified, Inc. rent payment was a topic discussed.

Kaye Blake reports 30-Day Notice letters (prior to lien) will be ready for June 1<sup>st</sup> mailing.

Motion made Kaye Blake make arrangements to reduce town office telephone costs to \$22.98/line plus tax that includes toll and long distance calling with Fairpoint Communications. Seconded and approved.

Mr. David Bouffard, Property Appraiser II, Maine Department of Revenue, Property Tax Division audited Cornish property to compare with the 2014 Maine Valuation Report.

Karen James will approach Peter Palowski to determine willingness and availability to provide assessing assistance for 2015 real estate and/or personal property updates.

Animal Control Officer position had two potential candidates reply to ad but did not materialize. Ad will be run one more week. Emily will check Limerick, Waterboro and area shelters for recommendations.

Discussed a Request For Proposal for town insurances expiring July 1, 2015. It was agreed to not pursue this year. Christine Sullivan, Clark Insurance to be contacted to setup a meeting for June 17 to review quote for 2015/16 and discuss an Accidental Death and Dismemberment equivalent policy.

Motion made Selectmen adopt the Parking Ordinance as submitted by the Planning Board. Seconded and approved.

Cornish Elementary Bell and Sign relocation deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>. Reviewed options posed at Public Hearing on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Motion made to move the bell and sign to location in Thompson Park pending Bob Sturgeon's site approval. Pike Memorial Hall front lawn will be the alternative site. Seconded and approved.

One Abatement Application for 144 High Road remains to be completed. CEO did site visit and submitted findings and data entry will be completed within the week.

John Whitten, Teradyne, Kyle Hall, DOT and Bob Sturgeon meeting at 9am tomorrow to address issues that were raised at Public Hearing and initiate John's replacement on the project. Questions Dan Sherman will raise; a drive through exit onto Route 25, what happens to the abandoned S. Hiram road that's within that "green space" i.e. who owns it, maintains it, takes

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care of it, and uses it, if you can get into it. Verify with Kyle Hall that he will write the grant and the Town provides the information.

Selectmen contacted Amy Hughes, Legal Representative for Maine DOT to trace ownership of the "Harrington" lot and research DOT Surplus. Outcome of her research, the Town does not own the "Harrington" lot.

Incident Reports:

- Meredith Harding asking to return the "Harrington" lot to use as a park. Dan Sherman will draft a letter of findings.
- Requesting guardrails installation for Brown Brook road. Dan Sherman provided photos of scene. Bob Sturgeon provided price from Gorham Fence of \$3+ thousand dollars and indicated no sense of urgency as road budget already planned for this year.
- Robert McAuliffe requests correction of Hessian Hill road draining onto his property. Bob Sturgeon will be notified.

Karen James did a site walk of Heli Modified, Inc. She sighted safety concerns with two exterior door locations. Recommendations; the town put into production a platform with stairs for the Route 25 side of building with overhang and a step out back where the land drops off beyond the shipping door.

Ice dam build up on one portion of roof will be investigated. Littlefield originally put up the building and will be asked to consult with selectmen on site. Littlefield will be asked to address the screws in metal, insulation – adequate or how to address it, and the low roof to high roof steps.

Pike Hall Committee has meeting scheduled for June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Topics for the June 3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop include: create Foreclosure Policy and new computer network configuration for town office. Proposals will be requested from BIZ Compass, A B Computer, and Mathieu Cama.

Remainder of meeting devoted to selectmen finalizing the State Exemption Report due June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting.

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Karen James

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Daniel Sherman

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Emily Ward