

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting
January 8, 2014**

AGENDA: Matt Bennett, Scout Leader

David Whitney voiced concerns he has with the sand and salt shed and tree trimming needed on Weeks Road.

Discussed the safety concerns that accompany using the fire station namely the truck bays. Matt Bennett told selectmen that hallway supervision would be covered as one parent must accompany their scout each meeting. Selectmen requested that Matt move to the long conference room on occasions when the large room is needed. Motion made to allow Matt Bennett use of the large meeting room, with proper supervision, and meet again in 6 months to re-evaluate the arrangement. Seconded and approved.

The date for the Public Hearing for the Parking Ordinance and also the Veteran's Monument changed to Thursday, January 23 at 6:30pm and 7:15pm.

Brent Anderson asked for permission to purchase sand/salt mix from the town. Selectmen approved.

Bob Sturgeon will be invited to the next selectmen's meeting to discuss a long term plan that addresses the vegetation management, plans for the roads over the next 5 years, and share some of David Whitney's concerns.

A Quit Claim Deed for U01-001 (James Robinson's property) liens on tax years '07 thru '10 signed by selectmen.

Eight copies of the Special Town Meeting Warrant and notice of a Public Hearing on the Veteran Monument were signed by selectmen for posting around town.

Per Nancy Perkins request, a copy of the purchase agreement and deed for the Fairgrounds were made available for review of contingencies and restrictions in place.

The Fairgrounds monthly rental agreement is on file but we do not have a copy of the renters insurance to date. Renter's swimming pool is to be removed as weather permits. Selectmen requested a cost run sheet of the rental property for 2013.

Dan will take MMA Legal review of the Cornish Fairground Lease/Rental Agreement to the February meeting of the Fairgrounds Advisory Board for committee discussion.

MMA documentation on Fund Balances and preliminary paperwork done a while ago reviewed. State law specifies neither a minimum nor maximum amount, as a general rule it is recommended 10-12% of total Commitment or 2 months Operating Costs for our Undesignated Surplus Fund balance. We currently show a balance of \$60,000.

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Diane presented figures for calculating a User Fee for property designated as EXEMPT. The State's Payment in Lieu of Taxes pilot program documentation will be reviewed to establish the User Fee.

RFP for the Pike Hall Drainage Project needs to be ready to go out February 1st. Motion made to expend \$2,000 for ATTAR Engineering to prepare the RFP and set a timeframe to get it back.

ATTAR Engineering's proposal for creating the RFP reviewed. The project has two components: 1. Getting the project ready so it can be looked at and bid on and 2. Looking at the work then making sure it has been done properly/in accordance with the RFP. Vinal said the work on the banking requires a special skill set, you have to have some kind of professional help during the construction of it. It was decided to contact Ken Wood, ATTAR Engineering with specific questions - are ads in or out, timeframe for the work being done, how often do you need an engineer to observe construction, and how long to prepare an RFQ?

The motion was withdrawn pending the response to our questions.

Motion made to meet at 6:30 pm ahead of the next Selectmen's meeting for an employee review. Seconded and approved.

Motion was withdrawn until latest questions are answered.

Dan brought in sample rental agreements from other towns that will aid in drafting an agreement for use of our town owned property.

Outstanding Time Warner negotiations issue (black boxes stalemate) still lingers. Angus King's office set up a conference call for next Monday evening for continued dialog with towns about improving cable capabilities in Maine.

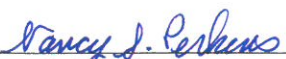
Incident report received about snow obstructing view at the intersection of Bridge St. and Main St. Dave Whitney has removed some of the snow.

A meeting scheduled for January 9th in Kennebunk 1-3pm or Alfred 6-8pm regarding the FEMA updated flood maps. Matt Cama plans to attend one session.

Motion made to adjourn meeting.



Vinal Pendexter



Nancy S. Perkins



Daniel Sherman