Selectmen's Meeting October 19, 2011

Vinal Pendexter, Peggi Aspinall and Nancy Perkins were present for the meeting.

The Selectmen made a motion to vote to adopt the General Assistance Ordinance Appendices A-C 2011-2012. Seconded and approved.

Minutes and Warrants reviewed and signed.

Scott Rowley requested permission to use the 2nd floor of the Odd Fellows Hall to store CAB items used for the Apple Festival, Christmas in Cornish, and the painting of the crosswalks in the village. Selectmen did not want the 2nd floor used because of safety issues with the stairs. Motion made to have Scott Rowley attend the November 3rd Fairgrounds Committee Meeting and ask to store the items at the fairgrounds. Seconded and approved.

Michelle Collomy of Hiram would like to rent the fire station on 12/17 for a Christmas party/Family Reunion. Discussion focused on keeping children out of the bay area where trucks are stored. Selectmen decided to invite Michelle to attend the November 2nd meeting.

Jim Price provided estimates for tree work; the maple in front of Steve Smith's requires pruning and fertilizer in the spring, the old fire station tree would cost \$200 to remove limbs and \$800 to take the tree down. Vinal wants to talk to Bob Sturgeon to see if he'd take the trunk down after the limbs were removed.

The upstairs bathrooms in Pike Memorial Hall and the electric water heater servicing them have been drained and disconnected. In the process, found that the water heater (110-amp) had been connected to 220-amp service with no visible junction box. The electric service inconsistencies will be added to the Pike Hall Committee's list of objectives.

A condemned building on property owned by James Robinson shows signs of someone living in it. Motion made to ask the Code Enforcement Officer when the building was condemned and ask that he visit the property and talk to the individual during daylight hours to find out the individuals intentions. Seconded and approved.

Bonds for municipal offices have not been received from Lovejoy Insurance Agency. The Bonds were issued under the parent company (Chalmers Insurance) rather than Lovejoy Wadsworth Agency. The error will be corrected.

Nancy requested the selectmen be proactive and devise a plan of action in light of the upcoming revenue decline and the poor economy ahead of the 2012 Town Budget.

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Action is needed to get residents at 124 Maple Street to clean up garbage/refuse from yard before it attracts rodents. Vinal suggested Nancy call Dr. DeKay, the Health Officer for the town, and request a site visit to investigate.

The Abatement requests on hand will be processed Wednesday, October 26th at 4:30pm.

Peggi was asked to represent the selectmen and attend the Fairgrounds Committee Meetings held the first Thursday of the month. She agreed to attend.

Marlene Lavonia's request for a letter of support for the railroad project was discussed. Motion made to table the letter until more information is available. Seconded and approved.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting.

Vinal Pendexter

Margaret P. Aspinall

Nancy S. Perkins