

Town of Cornish

Selectmen's Business Meeting

October 26, 2016

Emily Ward, Daniel Sherman and Mathieu Cama were present for the Business Meeting.

The Selectmen meet with Animal Control Officer Richard Guilbault concerning equipment needs. Also the Action Request Form concerning the dogs barking on route 5. Richard reported that there was no further course of action until he receives a recording proving that the dogs barked continuously for 15 minutes.

The Selectmen met with Nancy Perkins about using the money in reserve for the renovation of Pike Hall. Nancy suggested a ballot question be use for Pike Hall Renovation. The permit plans will be brought before the Town soon. Nancy will be on the agenda for the November 9th Business Meeting to discuss Pike Hall plans further.

Diann Perkins was in attendance for the discussion about the Fairgrounds property. The Exterminators report said that the house was clean and clear.

The DiBiaso property was also discussed. The selectmen feel that there needs to be a more reasonable offer, and the property needs to be surveyed. A petition would need to be circulated to place this as an article on the March Town Warrant.

The Action Request form from Sandra Watts concerning the dogs barking was discussed. Emily will draft a letter addressing her concerns.

The ARF from Donald and Janice Waters concerning the lack of garage will be faxed to Peter Pawlowski for further review.

The ARF from John Perry concerning his wish to take acreage out of Tree Growth for a buildable lot was addressed. Desirae contacted Peter about the penalty for taking 3 acres out of Tree Growth in the Agricultural District. Desirae will contact John about the acreage and penalty amount.

The ARF from John and Brenda Dubious about selling raffle tickets outside of the Town Hall was addressed. Dan will contact the Maine Municipal Association about the Town's liability.

The County Tax Abatement Appeal concerning Mr. Hilliard. The County needs to contact Mr. Hilliard about changing the date of the Appeal. Peter is to be notified and the Selectmen felt that he should be the one to represent the Town at the Appeal.

Emily talked to Karen James concerning the Sprinkler System for Pike Hall. It is going to be more beneficial to tie into the main water line. There will be a flow test from the fire hydrant across the street from Pike Hall. Once the company has the results from the flow test they can begin working on designing a system. The work can be done in conjunction

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with the renovations and the tie in to the water main can be done in the spring. The engineer, Bruce McLeod, is willing to move forward with the permit plans and Emily will ask Karen if there will be more expenses.

Emily will contact Charles Hanson concerning the bicyclists passing through Cornish next summer. She will also let the Cornish Association of Business know that the bikers are passing through.

The Boston Post Cane list was discussed. Diann Perkins will take the book back to the Historical Society to be updated. The book needs to be returned to the Selectmen before the next business meeting on November 9th, so that the Selectmen have a chance to look through and verify that there is documentation for each recipient.

The Selectmen will meet with Ken Hall on November 9th to recognize him for the Spirit of America Award for outstanding community service. Dan will accompany Ken to the award ceremony in Alfred on November 2.

The Selectmen asked Desirae to contact the representative from the Sanford Vet Center concerning their meeting on November 2, to confirm that they can meet with him before the Special Town Meeting.

Nancy Perkins has information on a Vet Center that is working to give oil to disabled vets. She will get the information to the Selectmen at a later date.

A Town Building Use Request was received from Jen Calnan; to use the fire barn on October 30 from 1PM to 3Pm. Dan motioned to approve the request. Mat seconded. All in favor.

A Town Building Use Request was received from the Water Department; to use the fire barn on November 1 at 6:15PM. Mat motioned to approve the request. Dan seconded. All in favor. The deposit will be waived, but they will need insurance.

Old High Road was re-graded after the rain storms last weekend. Joe Moser will be contacted to fill out an ARF with his concerns about the road.

A new Tree Growth application from Jenny Floyd was received. Dan motioned to approve the Tree Growth application. Mat seconded. All in favor. A copy will be sent to Peter for the 2017 tax assessment and a copy will be filed.

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Peter Fleweling recommended David Fitzpatrick for the work on the fire barn roof. Dan will be in contact with him about his availability.

Office updates, Desirae found a printer for the new MVR-3 motor vehicle registration forms. Also Microsoft Office updates for the computers. The Selectmen asked Kaye to inquire about a phone service to rewire and update Pike Hall.

The credit/debit card software through TRIO is \$500 for installation, and \$150 annually for maintenance. Kaye will contact INFORME about the setup and maintenance for the pay port software.

The road list has not been worked on.

Personal Property is on the November 16th workshop.

Emily talked to Rob Heard about the 4 and 5 Town meetings. He is going to contact his local representative on the Sacopee Rescue Board about this.

Emily talked to Bob Sturgeon about moving the dry hydrants on Thompson Street. He looked at a spot by the telephone pole. The spot will need some fill, and it will be easier to start from scratch. Bob said that it would roughly be \$5,000 to fill and place new hydrants. This can't be done until spring, when the water level can be lowered and the Mill Pond can be cleaned out to be more functional for the future. The Selectmen would like to meet with Bob and the Firemen to discuss this, and then talk to Cliff Whitney.

Mat reported that some of the other dry hydrants are back under water. The drought poses continued problems about the hydrants freezing this winter.

Dan motioned to adjourn at 7:25PM

Motion carried.

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