

Selectmen's Meeting November 3, 2010

Vinal Pendexter, Margaret Aspinall, and Nancy Perkins were present.

Kathleen Quinan, our Animal Control Officer, met with selectmen to discuss the enforcement process once there's been a violation. She collects statements from complainant and witnesses, issues a ticket, 1st arraignment they plead guilty or not guilty, if not guilty it goes to trial. The State Ordinance does not address barking dogs. Town attorney represents the town at trial because it is a Town Ordinance.

The Town of Raymond issues tickets with specified fees for violations. The town keeps all monies collected. If offender refuses to pay ticket, the next step up is to issue a State ticket, then take them to court.

Motion made to investigate what Raymond has done and how did they attach it. At our next selectman's meeting determine fees, run them by the A.C.O. and in theory have this accomplished in a month. Seconded and approved.

The Planning Board and Code Enforcement Officer referred Donna Fredette to the Selectmen as the next step in getting answers to Shoreland Zoning questions (10 pre-submitted) and to obtain the map that designates areas of impact for property owners in South Cornish. Selectmen indicated they are pursuing G.I.S. mapping to equip Code Enforcement and the Planning Board to enforce the Shoreland Ordinance as well as assist the town in assessing. The Porter Town Office has G.I.S. software and Nancy Perkins will view it on Friday. Steve Sanborn is to present an overview of the software at a selectman's meeting in the near future.

The last two (of the 10) questions that were submitted to the Planning Board are to be addressed by the selectmen. #9. There's a concern in the neighborhood of Haley Pond that property values are going to go down on homes adjacent to the pond, within or next to the new setback parameters. Please address this? "Are you talking about Assessed or Market Values?" Vinal asked. The question is in regards to Market values. Then piggy backed is question #10. Will the Assessed values be lowered to reflect that a percentage of their property is regulated? Vinal" As assessors of the town, a study of the properties around Haley Bog will be done. We will need the map to do it. The answer to question 9 will determine the answer to question 10." There is a willingness to look into it by the selectmen.

Selectmen reviewed the minutes, accounts payable and payroll warrants then signed.

Now that the Sand/Salt Shed is gated and locked, how can residents pick up a 5-gallon pail of sand/salt mix?

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Nancy offered to open and monitor the sand/salt facility Saturday, November 20th from 9-12. Selectmen asked that individuals make arrangements with David Whitney or the selectmen to gain access to the sand/salt mixture.

Clarification required on the amount of the liability coverage for individual using a town facility, is \$50,000 sufficient? Vinal will discuss the matter with Scott Lovejoy.

Country Homes, LLC submitted an abatement request clarifying her request in detail with photos.

The Tree Growth Tax Roster for 2010 prepared by Diane Harrington reviewed and signed by selectmen.

The proposed 2011 Valuation of York County reviewed and compared to 2010; Cornish valuation down by \$500,000.

Jackie Grover, acting power of attorney for Alan Foss requests the 3% discount when she pays his real estate taxes. Motion made she may have the 3% discount if taxes are paid within 7 business days. Seconded and approved.

Diane received several complaints about the poorly lit voting booths and requests an alternative to the current lighting. Selectmen requested she contact electrician Chris Boucher to take a look at it.

The York County Commissioners denied the appeal of real estate abatement decision for Mr. and Mrs. Vaillancourt. They can take it to a higher court or they can re-appeal on a different year. Paul McKenney of Vision Appraisal indicated they must appeal the entire parcel; they cannot appeal a single house. The tax card for the modern contemporary house will have the finished basement (found during Mr. McKenney's walk through) added for 2011 taxes.

Norm MacIntyre and Nancy Perkins reviewed the Rural Housing Loan for stipulations on use of the loan. Norm suggested a meeting with Mr. Jensen of Rural Housing to review the paperwork with selectmen.

She also contacted the York Town Office and discovered York's historic buildings are "grand fathered" and they are not making it ADA compliant. Nancy did get a contact for the person who does work specifically on historic buildings and can oversee the project.

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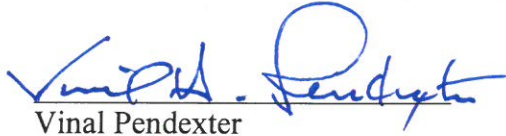
A background check on an application for a for a concealed weapons permit signed.


Sewer District's Annual Meeting is Monday, November 8th and selectmen have been asked to attend. Nancy is not available due to prior commitment. Vinal will attend.

The State Department of Economic and Community Development wrote to notify the town that no comments were received regarding the Environmental Assessment Check List during the 15-day state objection period that ended September 25th.

A copy of the Public Indecency Ordinance adopted by the Town of Sangerville, ME was read and discussed. Copies were given to the Planning Board for review. Selectmen made a motion that the Ordinance be put in a position to be acted on at the next opportunity. Seconded and approved.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting. Seconded and approved.


Vinal Pendexter


Margaret P. Aspinall


Nancy S. Perkins