Selectmen's Meeting December 3, 2008

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

Minutes, accounts payable and payroll warrants signed.

Norman MacIntyre, Chairperson of the ADA Committee, came before the selectmen with the required Letter of Intent to apply for a Community Development Block Grant for removal of architectural barriers to make Pike Memorial Hall American Disabilities Act compliant. A motion was made, seconded and approved for the Select Chair to sign this letter.

Bob Bowman, Emergency Management Director for York County, and Scott Pingree was present to bring the Selectmen up-to-date on the NIMS (National Incident Management System) certification required for the town.

- This is essential to be eligible for any future grants. Required training is IS100 for all volunteer fire personnel; IS200 for most fire personnel participating directly in front line firefighting/rescue activities; and IS700 (overview of what NIMS is) for all volunteer fire personnel and Selectmen. The agency is willing to offer training to get them up to the required levels.
- They are not required to take IS300 & IS400 because the State of Maine has allowed the county level IMAT Team to come & support the town to run any emergency at 300/400 levels.
- The Community Emergency Management Plan needs to be updated from original 2005 data (phone numbers, dates, etc).
- A motion was made, seconded and approved for the Select Chair sign the agreement "Memorandum of Understanding for Incident Support for Large Incidents" between York County EMS and the Town of Cornish. Bob assured the selectmen that IMAT Teams are available for support/advice anytime. 24 Hour Contact number is 324-4111 (Sanford Regional Communications).
- Encourage towns to do "table top" exercises (put a scenario together & sit around a table to evaluate plan-who do you call for this, etc.) to see if the plan really works.
- Homeland Security Grants may be available for compensation of NIMS training.
- A concern was made that the town's Emergency Management Director representative is not participating/contacting the agency. He still has not completed the induction briefing or given them any contact numbers other than the pager.
- Hazard Mitigation Program has 75%-25% matching funds available for road problems (i.e. recurring problems like road washouts, etc.).
- At the beginning of 2009 Bob will arrange an opportunity for training at the firestation, Sunday night possibility. Scott will contact Bob.

Scott, in collaboration with Sam, requests that the Selectmen raise the insurance for replacement coverage on the fire towers on High Road and Hessian Hill Rd., from

\$100,000. on High Rd. & \$110,000. on Hessian Hill to \$200,000. each. The additional costs would be \$154. yr. for High Road tower and \$120. yr. for Hessian Hill Rd. tower. The selectmen have decided that this coverage is necessary. One Beacon Insurance also suggests that the town not allow anyone on the tower without a hold harmless agreement in place, which includes insured statue for the town. As owner of the tower, the town is responsible to maintain a safe place to work environment. The town presently uses Green Mountain in Wolfeboro to do any tower work because they have the insurance. Scott questioned why Green Mountain would suggest the additional insurance if they presently have their own. Nancy mentioned that even though Green Mountain may have to pay out; without this insurance, they could come after the town for reimbursement. Scott will contact Mary to get clarification on this.

Scott will look at Corn Cob Shop building to determine if there is a potential hazard of the building falling into the road during the winter snows.

801s for Pepsi and Heli Modified (2006) were signed.

Nancy signed General Assistance reports.

Compensation for snowplow contractor, David Whitney, to add Fieldstone Ridge Drive (.85 mile) for winter road maintenance results in an additional \$510.85 per month.

The sewer fee amount for the use of the restrooms by other people using the park was discussed. There needs to be some clarification on the actual charges incurred. Nancy will get more information from Greg.

Greg wants to eventually release most of his direct involvement in the Sewer District. He suggests that the town take over the bookkeeping functions and there is a qualified resident of the town to operate the Sewer System. He will stay on for a year during transition. Selectmen decided to investigate the possibility of merging the Sewer District with the Water District.

Heli Modified's request to reconsider the rental of the building was discussed. Research indicates the they are paying a reasonable rental fee per sq. ft. Due to the recent decline in the economy the selectmen decided to offer them a 10% reduction on for rent for a 6 months duration. Selectmen will arrange meeting with Heli Modified next week.

Nancy reported on her meeting with MMA Insurance Representatives. She had lots of questions and info to bring to the meeting but decided it would be easier to give details as soon as the tapes of the meeting were transcribed.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept Dennis Mowry's audit proposal of \$4,000. for the fiscal year February 1, 2008 to January 31, 2009.

The Economic Stimulus packages were prepared by Nancy to distribute to the Sewer District, Water District and Road Commissioner.

Chuck Morgan, from CBDG, is working with Contour 360 on their expansion. They are having a meeting in early December and have asked the Selectmen for a letter from the Planning Board indicating the project is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan and Town Ordinances. Nancy will attend the meeting to clarify the correct procedure for obtaining this request.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting.

Vinal Pendexter

Margaret Aspinall