

Selectmen's Meeting December 5, 2007

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

Cindy and Harry Eddy of Heli Modified, along with Christine Ohman of Ohman Business Services presented a revised proposal for the current manufacturing facility they have occupied since October of 1999 in the Industrial Park. The original proposal was for a 30' x 80' addition and their revised proposal consists of doubling the size of the building. Ms. Ohman, a grant writer, has been enlisted by Heli Modified to assist them in procuring funding for the project. Selectmen entertained their thoughts as to how the Town might assist them in the process. Christine identified the challenges as; what are we going to do, who is going to pay for what, and to define the gap. Christine suggested that the next step would be to invite the CBDG Program Manager to Cornish to visit the site, meet with all parties, ask for guidance on how to proceed with expanding the business, and how/if the CBDG lease money the Town collected could be used for the project. The deadline for letters of intent for this upcoming CBDG Grant cycle is January 4, 2008. She offered to make the calls and set up a meeting at Heli Modified for all parties.

Selectmen reviewed the payroll and accounts payable warrants and approved them. No selectmen's meeting on 11/21.

Selectmen approved closing the municipal office for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Diane said she plans to come in until noon on Christmas Eve.

Diane had a request by the Sewer District to convert the town to online banking. As Treasurer of the Town, Selectmen support her decision not to do so.

A new state law has been adopted in which towns are to be notified of dogs vaccinated by veterinary clinics. The town is to track the dogs for licensing. Diane will mail a letter approved by the selectmen to encourage people to license their dog.

Motion made for the date of the Budget Committee to be January 15, 2008 at 7pm. Approved by all.

The total amount of acreage owned by the Sisson's has been reduced as a result of a legal case. They are requesting that the tax bill be adjusted down as a result. A deed reflecting the change has not been received in the town office. Selectmen will not approve any change without deed in hand.

Abatement applications will be reviewed and processed by the selectmen on Sunday, December 9th at 8:30 am.

Vinal spoke with Scott Pingree and he will ask the volunteer fire fighters to call the office to verify availability of the fire barn prior to using it. Scott was in favor of asking Pat Edgerly to clean the fire station on a regular basis.

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The fire department currently has a balance of \$200 from rentals to apply towards cleaning fees. Selectmen discussed setting a nominal fee for use by non-profit organizations, i.e. Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and agreed upon \$10.00 per meeting.

Selectmen approved the use of Pike Memorial Hall for Boy Scout Pak 375's annual Pinewood Derby on March 22nd with a snow date of March 29th.

DEP rescheduled the site walk/meeting regarding the Mill Pond Project. Nancy indicated that Fosco Picchi and Paul Lehoux are interested in being committee members should a Mill Pond Project Committee materialize.

Nancy received a complaint of an abandoned dog at property on Hessian Hill being fed by the neighbors. Nancy will discuss it with the Animal Control Officer.

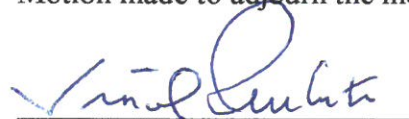
Motion was made to appoint Kim Ray to the Advisory Board and to re-appoint Glen Rankin to the Advisory Board of the Cornish Fairgrounds Committee. Seconded by all.

Motion was made to approve payment of Article# 31 for \$2500.00 to the Fairground Advisory Board. Seconded by all.

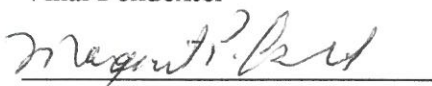
The subject of a space heater for the office was revisited. Vinal researched space heaters and found that a wall mounted gas heater would be the most efficient way to go. A non-vented heater would cost \$240.00 and a blower would be an additional \$80.00 plus an estimated \$100 to do the installation. The office area is about 400 sq. ft. and the unit will heat up to 200 sq. ft. and does not require any retrofitting. Vinal will contact Steve to get an install price and arrange to have the work done.

Dan Sherman was on the agenda for today's meeting but did not attend. A brief discussion followed of how to proceed with the unresolved issues regarding Planning Board stipends. The funds raised for 2007 article allow for the stipends to be paid out for Planning Board Meetings only. The hours submitted by the secretary of the Planning Board were approved for payment as they are separate from the stipends.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting.



Vinal Pendexter



Margaret Aspinall

Nancy Perkins