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Vinal Pendexter and Margaret Aspinall present, Nancy Perkins participated via speakerphone to start the meeting.

Tom Pingree met with selectmen to discuss insurance requirements for the Sno Cruisers. The Sno Cruisers have a meeting on February 16th with a representative from Maine Snowmobile Association they would like to hold at the fire barn. Tom spoke with Robin of Lovejoy Insurance Agency and was told a Hold Harmless Agreement or being a Town Sponsored group eliminates the requirement for a Certificate of Insurance. Peggi felt Lovejoy would be able to provide a Hold Harmless Agreement. Vinal will talk with Scott Lovejoy. Diane will email MMA Legal for a definition of "town sponsored".

The Pike Memorial Hall energy audit will be scheduled for a day during the week of March 1st-4th.

Heli Modified, Inc. requests use of the fire barn on February 22nd from 8-12 am. Heli Modified, Inc. to provide a Certificate of Insurance and pay a cleaning fee. Discussed the amount of the fee. Motion made to approve the request and set a \$35.00 fee to use the fire barn. Seconded and approved.

Premium notice of \$1,995.00 for MEMIC Workers Compensation Insurance presented to selectmen. Decision to pay the MEMIC premium or go out to bid discussed. Motion made to stay with MEMIC and pay the premium. Seconded and approved.

Liquor license application renewal for Stone Ridge Restaurant reviewed against their prior application (2010) for any changes. No changes found in the application. Motion made to approve the renewal application. Seconded and approved.

Joel Anderson asked to meet with selectmen at 6:30 pm on 2/23, to set up an installment plan for back taxes. Selectmen only want to meet with legal property owners. Diane will contact Brenda Edgecomb, the legal property owner, with selectmen's response.

Nan Gurley paid the 2005 and 06 real estates taxes and said she will try to pay off 2007 taxes sometime this summer. Diane's efforts to collect back taxes are supported by the selectmen. Selectmen to write a letter explaining to Nan Gurley that they are being pressured by townspeople to take action on Article #67 in the Annual Town Report that calls for the foreclosure process.

Warrants and minutes reviewed and signed.

Diane presented the electrician's temporary lighting solution for the voting booths. Vinal questioned why we are not installing permanent lighting? Nancy offered to look at the lighting suggested by C. Boucher available at Home Depot.

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Steadfast Works Forge provided an estimate of \$660.00 to repair the broken pickets of the fence around Thompson Park. Vinal will verify our deductible with Scott Lovejoy. The second report of damage, by Richard Decourcey, will be quoted separately.

The Personnel Policy has to be updated to include the Eligibility Requirements for medical insurance benefits.

The 2011 Town Report was discussed. Motion made this years report will have a light blue cover and the dedication will honor the hard working students and teachers at Cornish Elementary School. (The Federal Government is sending two teachers from Cornish Elementary School to Florida where they are to be honored for being 1 of 2 schools in the State of Maine doing "exceedingly well" on the NECAP tests.) Seconded and approved.

The remaining escrow balance from Spur Road Project was a topic of discussion. Diane asked permission to ask MMA Legal to provide findings for a scenario of escrowed money remaining after a project had been approved but not started many years later. Selectmen agreed.

Nancy has concerns about LD-250 (an act to permit tuition subsidies by municipalities. It allows municipalities to provide subsidies in their general funds as reimbursements to parents of school children going to private schools that are precluded from receiving tuition funding from the State such as schools with a religious orientation) and if they are interested she would like to email Ralph Sarty indicating that we are really concerned about LD-250, we already spend a huge amount of our budget monies to SAD55. Selectmen agreed.

Nancy suggested creating a "pie" chart for use at the Town Meeting to visually show the areas where the town's budget is designated.

The committee reviewing the Indecency Ordinance is done, they will be meeting 2/10 to finalize it and it will be presented to selectmen.

Peter Collins, a snowplow contractor for Cornish Station, has helped himself to our sand/salt mixture the past 3 years without writing his name on the clipboard or paying for it. He called Vinal to explain his rational and get permission to continue to take it. Selectmen's stand is, he stole it for 3 years already, no. Vinal will call him with the selectmen's decision.

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Two Background Checks for Concealed Weapons permits were reviewed and approved.

Diane Harrington nominated the Cornish Recycling Committee for an eco Excellence Award. Selectmen approve.

The list of Public Hearing items include; Indecency Ordinance, Dog Ordinance, Medical Insurance Article, Shoreland Zoning Map, and State Building Code Adoption.

Notice received of the February 15th meeting of the York County Advocacy Group. Nancy plans to attend.

Vinal reports the updated fee schedule for both Code Enforcement and Planning Board is 3/4ths complete.

The UCC Ladies Guild requests selectmen's permission to remove the old furnace from the Odd Fellows Hall. Selectmen's questions to be answered are; is there any value to it, who will dismantle it, how are they insured, and where will scrap be stored?

Motion made to adjourn the meeting.

Vinal Pendexter

Margaret P. Aspinall

Nancy S Perkins