

Selectmen's Meeting March 24, 2010

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

Vinal was nominated as Selectman Chair. Nomination seconded. Vote was unanimous for Vinal.

Cindy and Harry Eddy of Heli Modified, Inc. met with selectmen to renegotiate the balance of the building lease with the town. Cindy reports the outlook is good. March sales have been very good for cash flow, they paid down a line of credit to \$25,000, and there's demand for Heli Modified, Inc. products in Germany's T.U.B. and Finland.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddy have not been successful in securing a line of credit. Several banks have turned down their applications and contacting F.A.M.E. and the S.B.A. were unsuccessful as well. They are working with a Commercial Loan Broker named Glenn Baker of Biddeford. Selectmen suggested they contact Congresswoman Chellie Pingree for help and invite her to Cornish.

Motion made to continue the same rate of \$1,000/mo. for April through June. Seconded and approved.

Robert Sturgeon presented an offer to locate the recycling area to his gated property on School Street. The gates are unlocked and locked by him six days a week between 6a.m. to 5 or 6 p.m. Bobby suggested the town try the site for 3 months and see how it works.

The logistics of making the move were discussed. Motion made to have Robert Sturgeon build gates and relocate them closer to the road (Rte 25) at the sand and salt shed for \$2500. Seconded and approved.

Warrants and 3/10/10 selectmen's meeting minutes reviewed and signed.

Selectmen discussed a complaint from Paula Sanborn of excessive trash being put out by neighbor causing problems on North Road. Steve Mellen and Son verified the problem with photos taken over several collection days. Selectmen asked Elaine to write a letter to the resident to stop and request a dumpster from Mr. Mellen.

Old business: Cornish Alumni Association's request to use the bay area of the fire station for their annual meeting in August. Motion made to decline the use of the bays because the contents of the bay area cannot be secured adequately enough to make a safe environment but they have permission to use the function room. Seconded and approved.

A Municipal Quit Claim Deed without Covenants for real estate taxes in lien Scott and Karen Howland signed.

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The testimonial of Lloyd Sargent was endorsed by the selectmen. Having been born in 1928 at 141 Old High Road and living there all his life, Lloyd provides a living account of the road's use/maintenance beyond the point where Anderson Drive begins.

A determination of the status of that section of the Old High Road was tabled until May.

An email from David Strock of Baldwin asking the selectmen for the town's views regarding closing elementary schools to reduce the budget was discussed. Peggi indicated that meetings between the selectmen and the school board discussed teachers not getting a raise this year. Nancy said that any meeting she attended, the selectmen did not dictate anything to the school board. The only request that was ever made to her knowledge was that they meet with us while they were forming the budget. They chose not to do that. Vinal said Mr. Strock and the Baldwin residents have local representation and that's where he should be going. Selectmen decided not to respond to the email questions. Once we receive the SAD55's budget, the selectmen and the town's three school board members will hold a meeting at the town hall for our townspeople to ask questions and express their opinions.

Nancy updated the selectmen on a couple of projects the Fire Department is researching. Sam Gilpatrick is interested in securing a back up system for communication equipment at the towers that notifies you (by pager) when a generator starts up due to power failure on site. The firemen are investigating geothermal technology to heat the fire station. The Town of Dayton has a system in place. Sam asked the selectmen to visit the site with him in the near future.

Nancy updated the other selectmen on the results of her research effort for Mr. and Mrs. Vaillancourt's abatement request.

Consideration will need to be given for the recipient of the Boston Post Cane. In the meanwhile, Nancy will oversee having a display box for the cane made by woodworking students.

Selectmen discussed the need to put the Town mowing out to bid.

Selectmen tabled discussion of Frank Sanborn's inquiry of the town property that abuts his land on North Road. Glenn Rankin has indicated an interest in the property as well.

Motion made to approve the liquor license application for Krista's.

Selectmen set April 10th as the date to check status of building/plumbing permits for property revaluations.

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A complaint of excessively loud outside speakers at the Cornish Inn received from Sheena Jo Randall. Motion made to forward the complaint to Code Enforcement Officer for action. Seconded and approve.

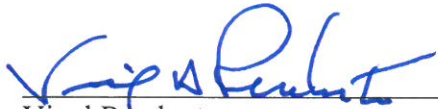
The Legal Services Agreement from the town's lawyer that is required for the Rural Development Loan process was signed.

Hiram Town Office invite our selectmen to attend a question and answer session with Mike Rogers of the Maine Revenue Property Tax Agency regarding State Valuation and how it effects our school funding, State reimbursement, etc. Selectmen will attend.

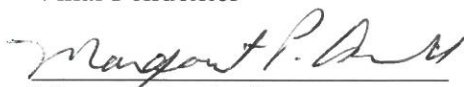
A selectmen's workshop was schedule for Monday, 3/29 at 6 p.m. to review contracts and fees.

Vinal will contact Rob Millard about complaints of not returning calls for services.


Motion made to adjourn. Seconded and approved.



Vinal Pendexter



Margaret Aspinall



Nancy Perkins