

Selectmen's Meeting March 30, 2005

Vinal Pendexter, John Palmer and Peggi Aspinall were present. Meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. First order of business was to vote for a chairperson following the Town Meeting. Vinal Pendexter was nominated and accepted the position for 2005.

Vinal presented the contract from Vision for the computer revaluation and he would like John Palmer and Peggi Aspinall to review it. Peggi asked if the changes they asked for had been made to the contract. Vinal stated that they had been made. The Town's attorney, David Brandt, will need to sign the contract. Vinal will take it to the attorney. Motion was made to sign the contract for Vision's revaluation.

Also presented was some information received from DOT concerning the tower on Hessian Hill and our taking over the tower. There was a rental agreement, a transfer of the license for the tower, transfer of the tower itself and the building and an agreement with what was Saco River Tel & Tel that now has a different name. They have old cell phone (analog) equipment on the tower that's suppose to go away next year. Vinal took it all over to David Brandt and he looked it over and questioned a couple of things but nothing serious. Vinal has given it back to Sam Gilpatrick (Cornish Fire Department) and he will go back to the DOT and get an explanation on the questionable items. Depending on the outcome we will execute or not execute the agreements.

Peggi asked if the Town could benefit from leasing cell phone space on the tower. Vinal told her it was not permissible under the Town's Ordinance.

John Palmer inquired when the Selectmen would do their yearly assessment updates for real estate prior to calculating the 2005 taxes. After much discussion of schedules and coordinating availability of all three of the Selectmen, the date was set for Wednesday, April 13th.

Peggi asked about the status of permanent "No Parking" signs for High Street. Discussion of sign locations followed. It was decided the 1st parking spot on High Street be eliminated as it blocks site onto Route 25. The same applies to the 1st parking spot in front of the Library as it obstructs view of cars turning onto Route 25 from Bridge Street. Signs to be put up will read No Parking Here To The Corner Violators Will Be Towed. Along the park side of High Street signs to read No Parking Violators Will Be Towed. Vinal volunteered to see Bobby Sturgeon and order signs. Peggi questioned whether or not the interest in making High Street one way was still there. Vinal had been in contact with the DOT on the matter but the DOT has not given their approval to him as yet.

RATIO Declaration and Reimbursement Application presented to the Selectmen for signature. Selectmen reviewed warrants for payroll and accounts payable. The minutes of meeting on March 16th were read and approved.

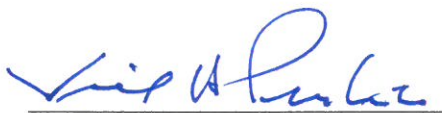
Diane requested approval from the Selectmen to investigate and purchase anti-virus/security software for the computer system. Motion made and seconded to allow Diane to investigate anti-virus software.

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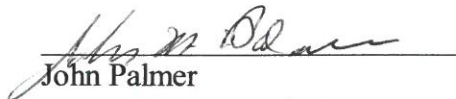
Peggi asked what is required of a caretaker for the Pike Hall and what would a person make per hour? Diane uses tradesmen to handle the electrical, plumbing, and heating systems. The general cleaning for functions and up keep of the Pike Hall would be a part of the duties. All the Selectmen agree that there is a need for a maintenance person on a regular basis. Vinal suggested that they sit down and put some thought into it and discuss the requirements for the position and then advertise in the Shopping Guide.

On Friday, March 25th Scott Pingree, Sam Gilpatrick, Darrell Watson, John Cleveland and Eric Grondin met at the Fire Station and did a walk through of the building and completed a punch list.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting. Seconded and approved.



Vinal Pendexter



John Palmer



Margaret Aspinall