

Selectmen's Meeting March 9, 2011

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

Tim Greene of Steadfast Forge Works met with selectmen at their request to discuss the options for the Thompson Park fence. 140 cast iron pickets have been damaged and replaced from 2002 to 2011. A single cast iron picket currently costs \$55.00. Taking the fence down for the winter and putting it back up in spring is not feasible because the fence weighs 27,000 pounds. An option that will be quoted is to move the fence back a couple of feet from the curb. Tim explained it will require extensive labor to: cut down the segments to reshape the corners, digging up the granite posts (110), back filling the old holes, digging holes at the new locations then back filling the posts, and the tree will be in the way and have to be addressed as well.

The fire department dealt with two chimney fires this winter (Richard Leonhartt and Timothy Watts) and both chimneys had to be condemned by the fire department. The owners continue to burn fires after the notification. Scott Pingree showed selectmen a notification form they'd like to use for these instances that would (hopefully) get the liability off the fire department. MMA legal will be asked to review the form and answer these questions. What are the legal responsibilities for the fire department if aware that a chimney is not safe? Are there any ramifications?

The committee appointed by the Planning Board to create an Indecency Ordinance met with Selectmen to review the finished draft Ordinance. Committee members Kathleen Benson, Tom Magno, John Morrissey, and Diane Perkins reviewed existing ordinances of 8 towns; Alfred, Arundel, Bethel, Biddeford, Bridgton, Ogunquit, Sangerville, and Sanford. MMA Legal will review the whole Ordinance with attention to constitutionality regarding display and/or sale of adult reading materials. Selectmen and Committee will meet and review MMA's comments.

Warrants and minutes reviewed and signed.

Miriam Alexander will be asked to forward minutes of the Maine Downtown Institute Meetings.

Town density maps to be retrieved from John Bowden for the March 28th Cable Franchise Committee Meeting that Vinal will attend.

The Bankruptcy Court in Portland did not have a filing under Spur Road Project, Mike Haskell nor Joseph Brown. A search will be done for Spur Road Project, LLC.

Selectmen signed copies of the 2011 Warrant for Town Meeting for posting.

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Two abatement requests for R01-022A received for the 2011 tax year.

Request for payment from the ADA Capital Account approved and signed for: \$447.35 for Barba Wheelock's work on Phase II and Horizon Energy Audit for \$650 in two installments.

Krista's and Bay Haven II liquor license applications reviewed for approval. Krista's application was signed. Bay Haven II application incomplete, needs to be completed and resubmitted to selectmen.

The State's Major Capital Improvement Applications - Priority Lists released March 9th shows MSAD#55 at #38, which tells us none of the \$116 million fund will be available from the State. Selectmen do not support the proposed \$22 million bond to build an addition on South Hiram Elementary.

Nancy would like to give Elaine permission to sign GA applications so they can be processed within a 24-hour window. Either Nancy or Vinal will review them. Motion made to appoint Elaine as the GA Assistant, which allows her to sign the documentation herself, and a selectman will review it. Seconded and approved.

Selectmen discussed the inconsistent decisions of the Planning Board and Code Enforcement Officer.

Diann Perkins submitted a request to appoint Ralph Maxwell and re-appoint Laurie Carr to the Fairgrounds Advisory Board. Motion made to appoint both. Seconded and approved.

Dena Withey sent a letter complaining about poor road condition issues with Old Pike Road extension. Selectmen discussed the status of the road. The letter will be forwarded to the Road Commissioner for his determination.

The updated Personnel Policy was presented to selectmen for review.

At the March Fairground Committee meeting the Kezar Falls Assembly of God Church asked to hold a community Easter egg hunt with other churches participating. Selectmen would like to know the outcome of the meeting.

The Memorandum of Understanding requires basics the town does not have. Motion made to contact Joseph Young and explain that the town does not have the materials we

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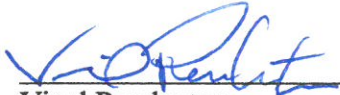
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need to have to sign the Memorandum of Understanding and can not afford at this time to do engineering reports or anything else. Seconded and approved.


Selectmen determined that the mowing will be bid two different ways and they need to have a meeting with the Fairgrounds and Parks and Rec Committees to gather their input so something can be put together. A Sunday morning meeting was suggested to accommodate schedules. Rich Ruhlin will be contacted for his availability.

Phase II of the ADA Project is awaiting the report of the energy audit done at Pike Memorial Hall.


Motion made to adjourn the meeting.



Vinal Pendexter



Margaret P. Aspinall



Nancy S. Perkins