

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Business Meeting
May 11, 2016

Emily Ward, Dan Sherman and Mathieu Cama were present for the Business Meeting.

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants and Business Meeting Minutes reviewed and approved.

Emily reports Dan Vaillancourt will set up a meeting with Karen James, Electric and Heating people and himself to go over where they are so far to build a response to the State Fire Marshall about the electrician inspection. Dan and Karen will be asked to get a fire alarm person in at that time as well. They will not be meeting with selectmen on May 18 but will be ready with some kind of informational update selectmen will use for the Informational Meeting on June 1.

Meeting took place with Tom Pingree, Cornish Parks and Rec and Brandon Fenderson and two selectmen to discuss the 3 year Mowing Contract. No one represented the Fairgrounds Committee as had been planned. Selectman reports positive input and everything scheduled for this Summer has been communicated to Brandon. Brandon will continue mowing at the ball fields after October 15th to the end of the season at the same rate. Any request for work by the Fairgrounds Committee, above and beyond the contract, Brandon will submit with a quote to selectmen for review then present to the Fairgrounds Committee.

Spreadsheet of current office responsibilities created. Kaye is in the process of adding her data. Selectmen propose setting aside the June 15th workshop to sit down and go through it.

Overview of the online registrations Rapid Renewal Program completed with Maine.gov. Harris Computer has been informed and a quote for their software module will be forthcoming.

Dan Sherman requested Elaine compile a sand and salt expenses analysis by date, tonnage and cost for years 2012-2016 for the May 18th Selectmen's Workshop.

Sacopec Rescue had a Meet and Greet with all Mutual Aid Organizations. It went well, some issues were discussed, but the important thing was communication flowed. Some of the organizations present thought the meeting to be a good idea and something to do on a somewhat regular basis.

Cornish Fire Department is going through the annual trainings, a third to halfway through them at this point. Fit testing the masks yet to do. Apparently there's an issue with the kit; don't know if CFD needs a new kit or the chemicals used with the kit. Medical renewals by nurse, as long as Emily knows what to go by (the criteria's and known directives) and she knows she'll be covered under the fire department liability wise, she will be all set to do them.

Animal Control reports sent directly to selectmen's email and then forwarded to the town office for printing and filing. Mat will talk with Heather Ricker to prepare a write up for the town website.

Emily addressed all the issues raised by Peter Pawlowski, Contract Assessor in his email to selectmen and then communicated that to Peter. Requests received (2) to have parcels combined by property owners; John Pease of Farm Lane and Jay Traunig of Fiddle Lane/Thompson Street. The lots are to be first done in Vision Software and then by O'Donnell's Mapping.

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Emily approached the spouse of a potential recipient for the Boston Post Cane and reports the family would be thrilled to accept it. All Selectmen are in agreement with moving forward. Emily will contact the Cornish Historical Society with the input.

Action Request Form received from Calista Cross requests landscaping to repair lawn at corner of Trafton Street and Rte 5 damaged by plowing. Cornish Water District was contacted for input. Cornish Water District and David Whitney could share equal responsibility for the area in question. The area falls within the State right of way and the Town is not liable.

Memorial Day Program – Russell Bleakney assured Pastor Sue will participate. Diann W. Perkins has not provided name of veteran to be honored this year. Draft program will be sent to all parties participating to review and make changes/corrections.

Exterior painting schedule discussed for Pike Memorial Hall's ongoing maintenance. The hardware store side is scheduled for 2017.

RFP to haul recycling containers and tie in an electronic waste collection will be drafted at the June 15th Selectmen's Workshop.

RFP for snow plowing will incorporate the equipment list provided by David Whitney.

Included in the ConnectME Grant Application was 1500' infrastructure already in place on Route 5 area, therefore 1500'-2000' to be added some place else. Dan Sherman will have a conversation with Mike Edgecomb, Time Warner when the time is appropriate to address that issue.

No change in roof at the fire station, roof continues to leak. It has been a month since meeting with Peter Flewelling. Dan Sherman will call him for an update.

Thompson Park fence maintenance will be done June 6-9. Tom Green, Standfast Forge Works will do the sanding and MSAD55 students will paint. Hardware store will have the paint and supplies available for that date. Second project for MSAD55 students is to remove a fallen section of fence in the Harrington lot.

The painting of the crosswalks has been scheduled for Sunday, May 22 at 6 am. Mat asked if the fire department will handle traffic. Fire Chief Pingree would like to have the fire station's parking lot lines redone at that time as well. Selectmen asked that the spaces be marked out and they will get it redone.

Automatic External Defibrillator training scheduled for Monday, May 23 at 4:30 pm at Pike Memorial Hall. Training is not required to use the AED equipment for persons with a current CPR "Heartsaver" card.

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Details reviewed for the Information Meeting for June 1st at the Fire Station. Medical Marijuana Committee Chair invited to provide status of their progress, what have they addressed to this point and is there an anticipated date of completion. Selectmen decided they would present both the Town Offices Project (with information from Dan Vaillancourt and Karen James) and the Foreclosure Policy.

Email sent to W.L. Sturgeon on May 9th stating Kamin Realty did not meet Selectmen's requested deadline of some sort of commitment of May 1st therefore logistics of achieving the project are not likely for 2016. Given that, Selectmen requested an updated Roads Maintenance Plan for the current year. Email to be sent to Kamin Realty indicating the construction project is suspended for 2016, but it is available for next summer. Please keep us apprised of your property dealing so we can plan on this for next year.

Also Bob was to follow up with Gorham Fence for a firm commitment date on guard rail for both Bridge Street and Spur Road. As of today it has not been received. Dan will follow up with another email requesting the plan for the next Selectmen Business Meeting on May 25th Liquor License Applications submitted by Phat Boys and Sacopee House of Pizza reviewed by selectmen. Motion made to approve both the applications. Seconded and approved.

Ballot Clerks and Warden's pay for the MSAD55 Budget Vote overlooked for today's warrants. Motion made to approve a separate warrant to pay the Ballot Clerks and Warden. Seconded and approved.

Mark Call will be in touch with Scott Rowley to discuss the flags project. Mark will contact Searsport Flags possibly replacing all of the flags. Emily offered to help sort through the inventory on hand stored at the fairgrounds.

Pike Hall Committee members Joe Kendall and Nancy Perkins met with the Selectmen to present a DRAFT proposal for Architectural Services from Barba & Wheelock.

Discussed work to be done to the:

- Town Offices (downstairs) 2nd bathroom, vertical spaces, heating system, etc.
- Upstairs work for ADA: Chairlift, wheel chair refuge, fire exit. Beyond that, mainly cosmetic work.
- Board of Selectmen taking over the project? Combine both levels or not? *Selectmen to address requests from State Fire Marshall's Office, once a response is received from State Fire Marshall, Pike Hall Committee will raise money and coordinate efforts with basement level.*
- Pike Memorial Hall Committee's role? No purpose at present time?
Selectmen indicated Marketing, Fundraising, Promote use, and Inform citizens.

One criteria of CBDG funding is plans must be finalized by November 1st. Joe/Nancy questioned if an extension was possible for the renovation project due to delay or held up for any reason. *Selectmen indicate funds will be available for the project.*

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Roads lists and distances differ and it must be determined which list and distances to use. Emily will call DOT for roads list. Dan Sherman will create a spreadsheet.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.



Emily Ward



Dan Sherman



Mathieu Cama