

TOWN OF CORNISH  
SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
APRIL 20, 1992

Present: Carlton Candage, Donald Jack, Vinal Pendexter, Bruce Smith, Ken Leavitt, Elwin Day, Frank Perry, Sr., Frank Sanborn

Meeting called to order by Chairman Pendexter at 7:15 p.m..

1. Opened three bids for snow removal and sanding as follows:

Fred Harold Bucknell - plow and sand roads for contract period for \$55,500.00 per year

Franklin Sanborn, DBA Limerick Steeple Jacks - plow and sand roads for contract period for \$51,000.00 per year

Day's Excavating - plow and sand roads for contract period for \$47,850.00 per year

Carlton Candage made motion to accept the lowest bidder in this current economic climate. Seconded by Donald Jack. Voted unanimously. Bid awarded to Day's Excavating.

Frank Sanborn questioned the necessity of attaching a performance bond to the bid. He feels that a performance bond was required for bid submission; that the Shopping Guide ad referred to specifications requiring a bond. The Board felt that a bond should be issued in a timely fashion, recommending 30 days. The Shopping Guide ad stated that the proof of bondability shall be submitted with bid. Vinal Pendexter recommended that advice be sought concerning whether the contract bids are subject to the notice. Carlton Candage made motion to seek legal counsel on this matter and to answer at the next meeting. Vinal Pendexter seconded. Voted unanimously.

2. Selectmen felt that Planning Board meetings are proceeding with less urgency than is needed. Carlton Candage suggested that zoning be rewritten with the Planning Board coaching the direction of it. Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission has informally quoted a \$5,000.00 cost to do the zoning ordinance. The Planning Board proposes half that amount and wonders if it can be done for \$2500 by someone else. Selectmen see urgency in getting this done. Planning Board says it will take time because they meet once a month. The Planning Board would do primary work with review agency. Planning Board should be steering the outside agency. Ken Leavitt

would like to see the authority and responsibilities of Planning Board defined; with the question "where does the authority evolve" answered. Ken Leavitt welcomes help from a qualified consultant. In the Directory of Consultants printed by the State there are two pages of qualified personnel to work with towns. The work should initially originate from the Selectmen to empower consultant to do this work because the Planning Board has undefined power. Everyone present would like the zoning ordinance to complement with the comprehensive plan so that it makes sense to anyone picking it up and reading it. It was agreed that Maine Municipal Association should review it from a legal standpoint. It takes four to six weeks to review and send it back.

Selectmen suggested that Planning Board pursue an outside consultant in an expeditious manner for developing the zoning ordinance. Vinal Pendexter made motion; Carlton Candage seconded. Voted unanimously.

3. Jack Kelley mentioned at the Rabies Clinic on Saturday, April 18 that at Priscilla Dickerman's place the septic is now at surface level. Bruce Smith assured the Board that nothing is going into that old tank and pipe because a new system is out back. Donald Jack recommended that the pipe be removed from the ground since it gives the illusion that it is in use.

4. Jerry Watson informed Bruce Smith that they are making things and taking things in on consignment in their home shop. The Watsons maintain that someone from the Town Office informed them that they are operating within the constraints of a home occupation. The Watsons will get back to the Selectmen. (Refer to letter from Bruce Smith to Jerry and Cheri Watson, dated April 14, 1992)

5. Robert Davis has registered all but two cars on his property. (Refer to letter from Bruce Smith to Robert Davis, dated April 14, 1992)

6. Selectmen are looking into the matter of Robert and Ruth Sanborn not accepting letter written by Bruce Smith dated April 14, 1992 concerning violation of Cornish Zoning Ordinance re Satellite Receiving Dish. We must repond at next meeting.

7. Selectmen made the following appointments to the Planning Board; nominations were voted unanimously:

Barbara Ricker appointed to fill Marilyn McCulloch's vacated position for a period of one year (term expires 1993)

Judy Matheson appointed to a five-year term (term expires 1997)

Robert D'Alessandro appointed alternate (term expires 1993)

Lillian Bell appointed alternate (term expires 1993)

Secretary to notify appointees before April 21 Planning Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Pike Hall.

8. The Board, Secretary and Dennis Mowry discussed bookkeeping duties, etc. for 1 hour 20 minutes and agreed that Dennis Mowry should work with bookkeeper/secretary from 8-5 p.m. on a Tuesday or Friday that is compatible with them and Town Clerk Charlene Humphrey.

9. Notation: Millard Solomon withdrew his request for farm land abatement on 4-5-92.

10. Notation: Copy of franchise fee due the Town from United Video Cablevision, Inc. The amount is \$1,694.50.

11. Carlton Candage will speak with Leona Chasse about her request to use Gordan Day and his truck at the Park for clearing sand. They will pay Gordan out of the Bicentennial Funds. Carlton will get back to Board.

12. Vernon Koenig inquired if the sand is going to be cleared from the sidewalks. No money has been raised for this. This item is tabled until next meeting to see what the State does. Carlton Candage made motion; Vinal Pendexter seconded. Voted unanimously.

13. Donald Jack will order a gross and a half flags for Memorial Day.

14. Vinal Pendexter will call Maine Municipal about snowplowing bids and seek advice in writing. Carlton Candage made motion; Vinal Pendexter seconded; voted unanimously.

15. For the record: Sharon Beever complained at the Rabies Clinic that it was in direct competition with her husband's business.

16. Carl Dennison did not show up at the meeting concerning his request to talk about the Roland Day Road.

17. Planning Board members have been appointed. The Secretary has been instructed to write a letter to each and create a formal memo for the record.

18. Re: parking lot status next door: Stan Thompson will contact his attorney and then get back to us.

19. Farmers' Market will be held on Saturdays out on the side lawn at Pike Hall. There will be some tail gates and some open market. Chris Burchfield agrees with the idea.

20. Complaint from Florence Weeks about her taxes has been added to the list of ones to review.

21. There will be a seminar in Massachusetts for municipal people on land conservation policy. The Francis Small Heritage Foundation will pay the registration fee. Vinal Pendexter made motion, Carlton Candage seconded, voted unanimously to pass on information to the Planning Board.

22. Hughes Landscaping proposed \$26/vist for 15 visits to mow the lawns at Town Hall and the Park. Dennis Lowd proposed the same amount. Carlton Candage made motion, Donald Jack seconded, voted unanimously to accept Dennis Lowd's bid.

23. Secretary instructed to write a letter to Larry Lord thanking each of the volunteers for the Rabies Clinic.

24. The Rabies Clinic generated \$249.00.

25. Re: Petition from Pound Hill residents. The Board would like to wait and see what the Disaster Relief money will do, if it comes and when.

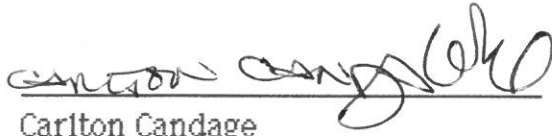
26. Tree Growth Tax Roster must be completed and returned to the State no later than June 30, 1992.


27. For the record, the three Selectmen are meeting this coming Saturday (April 25) at 9:00 a.m. to start on tax billing.

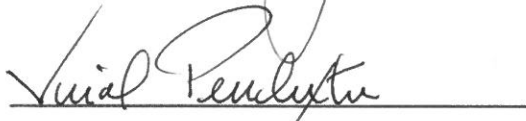
28. Bob Richmond wants Town to review his valuation.

29. Central Maine Power is raising the service rates to \$17.07 beginning April 1, 1992 as per their March 30, 1992 letter.


Donald Jack made motion to adjourn, Vinal Pendexter seconded. Adjourned meeting at 10:30 p.m.

  
Carlton Candage

  
Donald Jack

  
Vinal Pendexter

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kathryn Albert  
Secretary