

Selectmen's Meeting April 7, 2010

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

Accounts payable, payroll warrants and meeting minutes were reviewed and signed. Account clarification needed before two invoices are paid; old fire station roof repair and manufacture/installation of the gate at the sand and salt shed. Motion made to pay the old fire station roof repair from the rent account. Seconded and approved. Selectmen tabled a decision for the sand and salt shed gate to next meeting.

Steve Mellen hauled all items dumped at the recycling site with the exception of the tires (70+). He's waiting for direction from the selectmen. Discussion evolved into relocation of the recycling site. Regardless of site MMA Legal strongly suggests a long-term lease be signed, contact the DEP and request guidelines to get their approval, and involve the municipality's insurance company to secure proper coverage for the town.

The selectmen will ask the Recycling Committee to do a site walk of the town property behind Call's Plaza location Monday, April 19 at 6 p.m. Jack Bash will be asked to contact DEP to request information on the approval process.

A request to hold a wedding ceremony in Thompson Park on 9/18 was presented to the selectmen. Selectmen need more details before any decision is made. Elaine will contact them for more information.

SAD#55 Special Education requests use of the fire station for teacher's meetings May 5 – 6, 2010. Selectmen approved the request.

The 1-year Curbside Pick Up Contract bid requests will be advertised for two issues of the Shopping Guide (4/14 and 4/21). The deadline to submit bids to the Town Office is Wednesday, May 5th by 3 p.m.

Jack Bash of the recycling committee asked if the Town Office could be a collection site for mercury filled items and if the Town would cover the cost of disposing of them. Selectmen have issues with heating contractors taking advantage of it, the storage of the items, breakage and the potential harm, plus not being able to project an estimate of the quantity being brought in. The selectmen want the recycling committee to poll other towns for suggestions of how they are handling it.

Firemen had the site visit to see the geothermal system in Dayton. They came away with mixed impressions and need do some more research on it.

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Selectmen decided to wait to hear from Joseph Moser before taking any action towards making a determination regarding the road status. Lloyd Sargent's testimony will be on file at the Town Office.

Revisited Frank Sanborn's request to purchase a town parcel off North Road. Nancy is in favor of putting the land up for sale. Discussion of problems in locating the boundary markers took place. Motion made to *begin the process* of listing this land town parcel for sale and selectmen will need to word the ad to make sure it's the buyer's responsibility to survey the land at their cost. It was decided to have David Brandt explain the process and what costs are involved. Seconded and approved. Vinal will call David Brandt.

Colton Sweeney will be here with inmates May 3, 4, and 5 to work. Motion made to have the Thompson Park fence prepped and painted. Seconded and approved.

Nancy had a conversation with Paul McKenny of Vision Appraisal regarding the revaluation of the Vaillancourt property done in 2006. Mr. McKenny is not comfortable changing the style of the main house from "modern contemporary" to "ranch". He will agree the in-law house may be changed from "cape" to "ranch" as the exterior supports it. It is the only discrepancy that could be argued with the County Commissioner and the town would lose. If the Vaillancourts decide not to accept the concession and go to the County Commissioner, Vision Appraisal will represent the town. Motion made for Nancy to have a discussion with Mr. & Mrs. Vaillancourt about our findings and let them know it is the final position of the selectmen. Seconded and approved.

Nancy suggested the mowing to go out to bid. She posed "whether or not it makes more sense to have one person mowing all the fields the town owns rather than it being so random?" Currently separate individuals are mowing the Cornish Parks and Recreation fields, the Fairground and the town hall and Thompson Park. Vinal was reluctant because of concern that a large out-of-town outfit would do it. Tabled to next meeting.

Vinal asked to see the invoice submitted by Reed Surveying for the High Road Reconstruction. He asked if Bobby Sturgeon had seen it and yes he had.

Katherine Neal-Farr sent a letter of apology to the selectmen for problems she created regarding her excessive trash to be collected.

Vinal received an invoice from Lewis and Wassina addressed to the Cemetery Association for the remainder of the survey work amounting to \$2,200. Vinal spoke with Rick Wassina today and requested documentation that supports the invoice. Tabled payment until the supporting documentation is reviewed.

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A background check for a concealed weapon permit was presented.


Motion made to go into Executive Session under 1M.S.R.A. 405(6)(F). Moved and seconded.

Motion made to resume regular meeting. Moved and seconded.

Selectmen are doing the property assessments from building permits Sunday, April 11th.

Diane reminded the selectmen of an outstanding abatement request to be addressed. Selectmen reviewed and discussed the request. They found that it does not contain a specific request. The property does fall within the designated tax base for a ranch with their square footage. A Notice of Action letter will be sent explaining the findings.


Motion made to adjourn. Seconded and approved.



Vinal Pendexter



Margaret Aspinall



Nancy Perkins