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

Diann Perkins and Glenn Rankin requested time with the selectmen for an informational meeting regarding the Fairgrounds Advisory Committee. Diann provided a synopsis of the Committee's history and decisions made regarding; the bylaws, fencing, and the use of the grounds by sports teams. Diann Perkins offered to turn over all the minutes of the Fairgrounds Advisory Committee meetings to the town office. Peggi Aspinall reminded Diann and Glenn that the Fairgrounds purchase was agreed upon after much discussion at town meeting with the stipulation that the Committee would be self-supporting and not come to the taxpayers for funding of projects. Nancy Perkins suggested Diann compile a list of all events that have been held at the Fairgrounds and prepare a 5 to 10 year plan of improvements to the grounds the Fairgrounds Advisory Board would like to implement.

Warrants for payroll, accounts payable and the minutes from the March 26th meeting were reviewed and approved.

Donna Shea Anderson request to use Pike hall for an American Cancer Society's Relay for Life fundraiser BYOB dance on May 17th. Motion made to allow the fundraiser with the stipulation that proof of insurance coverage for the event is shown. Seconded. John Barton requests use of the Fire Barn on Wednesday May 7th from 2-4pm and Thursday May 8th from 7:30 to 9:30am. Motion made to approve use. Seconded.

Bruce Burt supplied copies of the building plans to the office and reminded Diane that his request for abatement deals solely with the land valuation not the building valuations. Diane asked the selectmen to make the abatement request a priority because the 2008 tax bills will be coming up soon.

Michael Hutton received additional land from his mother (J. Leonhart) to allow him to build a garage on his property. Diane informed the selectmen that Mr. Hutton as already applied for and a loan was granted for the garage but the deed has not been filed with the Registry of Deeds. Selectmen confirmed that no building permit is to be issued until deed is registered in Alfred.

Peggi contacted Steve Barton from Webber Energy to evaluate the Town Office for a propane heater. As yet he has not been in. She asked if she should contact Roger Berebe of Village Propane. Selectmen agreed she should contact Roger.

Peggi relayed details of a conversation with Cindy Eddy of Heli Modified, Inc. The heating system has been repaired and still required additional work so Cindy made the decision to have the system replaced without consulting or gaining approval from the town. Vinal will draft a letter to Cindy reiterating the course of action that had been agreed upon by Patti Ingalls of Heli Modified that stated if the furnace had to be replaced it would be part of the actual sales agreement.

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Nancy suggested calling the CBDG Director for clarification of the appraisal process and the current circumstances involving Heli Modified, Inc.

Selectmen agreed to meet on Saturday, April 19th to gather current information on the status of building/plumbing permits and property changes for the 2008 tax valuations.

The request for the one time liquor license for a CAB fundraiser is no longer needed.

The Water District is not receptive to locating the recycling bins on their property.

DOT has been reached and took additional information and will get back to Nancy this week.

Bergen and Parkinson reviewed the letter to be sent out by the CEO regarding demolition and clean up/removal of buildings damaged by the winter of 2008. The stipulations requested by Vinal, namely proof of financial means and engineering plans for reconstruction have been added to the letter.

Peggi requested that an answering machine capable of recording a message identifying they've reached the town office along with the hours of operation be purchased.

Nancy spoke with Danielle West-Chuhta regarding Roland Scott legal action. The town cannot put a lien on his property. Once judgment is received back from the court the lawyer does a writ of execution. It attaches a special lien on the property. When Mr. Scott sells the property or any transfer of ownership of the property is done at the registry of deeds, he has to come to the town and pay off the lien before he's able to file the deed.

A statement made by SAD55 School Board member that "the Board has the absolute right to sell the Hiram School, offer it to the town and the school board would determine what the price was. Nancy wrote to MMA giving them the actual law the board gave our selectmen and the response was that the law quoted had been repealed by 2007 School Reorganization Law and is now governed by Title 20A Section 4014014. Basically the SAD may but is not required to charge the receiving municipality the full market price for the building minus the receiving municipalities percentage share in the District.

Planning Board submitted letter of notice to the selectmen that both ordinances presented at the Public Hearing had been voted on and passed. The Selectmen set April 22nd for a Special Town Meeting to vote.

Selectmen agreed to attend a Boardsmanship Conference being held in Limington on May 28th. Planning Board will be invited to attend.

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Motion made to adjourn the meeting.

Vinal Pendexter

Margaret Aspinall

Nancy Perkins