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Vinal Pendexter, John Palmer and Peggi Aspinall were present. Meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m.

Phil Lovejoy updated the Selectmen on the items he was to investigate from a prior meeting. He was able to get a replacement cost on the building utilized by Heli Modified and the Town is well within the amount of coverage needed. Phil Lovejoy met with Grey Wilfert and they are working on a policy for the Sewer Department. Additionally, Mr. Lovejoy presented an invoice for Workman's Compensation coverage for the Carpenter for the new fire station. Mr. Lovejoy stated the policy would not be required if the Carpenter, working as a sole proprietor, were to file an application with Augusta stating he was excluding himself from the Workman Compensation.

Steve Mellen of Mellen and Son Disposal would like compensation for the continued rising cost of diesel (\$100 a month) as stipulated in his contract. Vinal told Mr. Mellen that he would need to document "costs beyond normal inflationary index" and submit his finding to the Selectmen.

Mr. Mellen was questioned on his increased rates to commercial clients and the fact that he used increased tipping fees along with rising diesel rates to justify the increase. Steve informed the Selectmen that he is more than willing to talk with the business owners. He already had conversations with several of the business owners and renegotiated their rates. He will provide a revised published rate schedule for the commercial accounts in the coming weeks.

Lastly, Mr. Mellen inquired about compensation from the Town for the garbage truck tipping last week because the Old Limington road gave way on him while picking up trash. The Selectmen told him the Town is not responsible for damages done by potholes and such. Vinal told him that his insurance should be used to cover the expenses.

Vinal presented an invoice from Maine Energy Recovery Company for the shortfall in tipping tonnage as stated in our contract. The shortfall covers the period of 2001 - 2003 and first six months of 2004. Motion made to pay the invoice. Seconded and approved.

The fully executed contract with Vision Appraisal has been received back and will be on file.

Minutes of the April 27th meeting were reviewed and approved along with the Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants.

At this time a motion made and seconded to go into Executive Session.

Once out of Executive Session, John Palmer asked if the Selectmen would look into putting up a guardrail and the curve in Route 25 at Towles Hill Road.

Peggi Aspinall asked the status of getting a display case built for the Boston Cane. Vinal drafted a possible design from examples he has seen. The Selectmen approved the design and Vinal will check with Jeff Colby and see if he would be interested in the project.

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Vinal has been in contact with Bobby Libby regarding his land survey done at the Industrial Park. The portion of Town land Bobby included in his survey was greater than the third acre agreed up and Vinal will walk off the area with Bobby to determine the correct amount of land.

The Selectmen signed copies of the District Budget Referendum Warrant and Notice of Election to be held on June 8th, 2005. A quick claim deed for the 6A portion of the Hanscom/Bathe property on High Road was signed. C.N. Brown's application for 2004 Personal Property Rebate with the State was also signed.

Diane asked the Selectmen for clarification on who would be paying the Central Maine Power bill for the new fire station. Vinal told her the bills are to be paid by the fire department.

Diane explained that the Town would be receiving a computer along with a scanner and printer to support the newly enacted HAVA law in the State of Maine. Discussion regarding the office layout to accommodate the additional equipment along with traffic flow in the office was also a part of the discussion.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting. Seconded.

Vinal Pendexter

John Palmer

Margaret Aspinall