

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MAY 14, 2003**

A quitclaim deed was signed for David and Cathy Ann Berthiaume as their property was put under lien by mistake.

An exemption report for York County was signed.

An agreement for the professional services to do a site survey and building plans for the new fire station were signed.

A letter was received from Heli modified stating that they are still researching the short pole problem, and that they are working with the Small Business Development Center regarding job creation requirements.

Diane stated that she had to be appointed to be Registrar of Voters. Vinal made a motion that Diane be appointed Registrar of Voters. Peggi seconded the motion.

Diane needed approval to notify businesses; Hummingbird Café, Thompson Park Grill, Cornish Inn, Rt 25 Truck Stop, Sofia's, and Sacopee House of Pizza, that their victualer license is due. Peggi made a motion that she be allowed to do that. Vinal seconded the motion.

Abatements were signed for JET, Thomas Gray and Greenleaf Lodge.

Sylvia Pease, Lee Goldsberry, and Libby Bleakney came in to discuss the school budget. The health insurance hadn't gone up as much as first stated. The lunch program was running over budget and debt equity from unexpected monies will be use to balance lunch costs. There was also a discussion on the placement of the new middle school, which should start construction in 2005. Vinal asked how the percentages that the towns pay are determined. Sylvia said that it is based on previous land sale prices. She will get the formula used sent to Vinal. Vinal also asked that a representative from the school district be present when the land for the new fire station is walked, since there has to be a land swap with the school. Sylvia said she would be there. Peggi asked how the kindergarten is doing with expanded hours. Sylvia stated that the teachers think it is working well, and that the first grade teachers are seeing positive results.

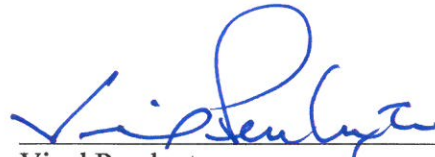
The minutes from the last meeting were signed. The accounts payable and the payroll warrants were signed

Carol had some prices on leasing a new copier, since the one that is here is obsolete. Vinal said that they should give it further thought and that they should wait for John Palmer to be present before making any decisions. Peggi stated that she won't be here for the next meeting, but she would be willing to go along with whatever was decided on this issue.

Carol also asked permission for Diane and herself to attend accounting classes in Augusta at forty dollars per person per day for two days. Vinal said that the town will pay for these classes.

Several business people; Mr. + Mrs. William Call, Mr.+ Mrs. Mark Call, Mr. + Mrs. Skip Carr, Mr. Dibiaso, Mr. Foley, Mr. Metcalf, John Pease, Roger Pease, Scott Pingree, Mike Berbube, Lisa + Josh Eastman, John Pappi, and Steve Mellens, came in to discuss the trash situation. The concerns of the businesses are that Jordan's don't pick up as often as needed, their fees are higher, and they are paying taxes for the trash pick-up. The town complaints were that Mr. Pappi was dumping other trash under Cornish's tipping fees. Mr. Pappi confessed to that during the meeting and the business people didn't realize that. The solutions that were expressed were; a separate container for returnables be used, and Mr. Call is going to buy a cardboard baler and allow the other business's to use it. The town solutions were that a contract should be written up that includes a price cap, the dumpsters need to be covered to keep out rain and snow, and that a breach of contract clause be included. It was suggested that there be a committee formed to write the new contract that can be put out to bid next year. The committee should include interested business people. It was agreed that everyone is trying to find a solution to this problem and the selectmen and the business people need to work together on this problem.

Peggi made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vinal seconded the motion.



Vinal Pendexter

Margaret Aspinall