

Selectmen's Meeting June 23, 2004

Present: Vinal Pendexter, John Palmer, and Margaret Aspinall

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

Selectmen reviewed Steve Mellen's truck purchased for solid waste contract with Mellen and Son Disposal. Mr. Mellen produced his liability insurance certificates, except he only had an application for workmen's compensation. No dumpsters had arrived but proof of purchase was shown. Areas of concern from Mr. Mellen: The fee for the disposal of demolition material is the responsibility of the customer; Mr. Mellen needs to correspond with the Pumpkinville & Cornish Station as to the process of waste disposal for these properties. After careful discussion in executive session a motion was made to sign the contract for the Solid Waste Disposal with Mellen & Son Disposal subject to delivery of dumpsters, actual certificate of workmen's compensation, and chart for dumpster fees charged to customers. He will deliver these items to the town office on Friday, June 25, 2004, and be prepared to start the contract on July 1, 2004.

John Cleveland from Community Dynamics joined the meeting to discuss the new fire station. He presented a Construction Schedule and Financial Management Report. John Cleveland presented Diane with copies of signed contracts containing bid amounts. Steel erection of building should start tomorrow, June 24th. Selectmen would like to see the new fire station completed by the end of 1st week in October. John Cleveland will talk with Eric Grondahl about moving deadline up from end of October to that date. He will keep Selectmen advised of any updated revisions. Approval was received to pay Blow Bros. for portable toilet rental.

Financial Management Report was reviewed. Peggy questioned as to difference of budget amounts and actual amount of bid on some items. John will review that with Eric. Bid alternate was received on emergency generator. Vinal questioned amount of legal fees. John Cleveland and Diane will investigate. W. L. Sturgeon had to put in more drainage underground because of higher ground water level. Selectmen would like update of this financial management report at least monthly. Mr. Cleveland will fax it to office.

John Cleveland will try to get a new meeting date in Augusta with Orman concerning Heli Modified Block Grant. A calendar was given to him indicating selectmen availability in July. He would also like to invite Mr. & Mrs. Eddy to attend. Their presence would be of value because: 1) they would see what position the state is taking in this circumstance; 2) be aware of options available; 3) possibility to present a proposal which would give them more time for job creation.

Pine Tree Development application needs to be sent in, the deadline is June 30, 2004. Diane will contact Southern Maine Regional Planning for more information on how to proceed.

Received a tree removal bid from James Price for both trees located on High Road near Hillside Church. Both are a danger and need to be removed. The bid amount is \$1600. The work requires the use of a crane and it is cheaper to have the crane moved there only once to remove both trees, as opposed to having each tree done separately. The stumps need to be removed and sidewalk repaired. Expenditure was approved.

Mr. Robert Mersereau submitted a request to have some work done at outlying cemeteries. Vinal will invite him to the next selectmen meeting to have more clarification on the request.

One Beacon Insurance review indicated that Town Hall needs a rental agreement to hold the town harmless in the event of a loss due to rental activities. Peggi will review sample agreements.

Vinal hasn't met with the Fire Department members to review Carpentry bids. Vinal will get meet with them and make a decision by the next selectmen's meeting.

The town had received only one application for the vacancies on the Cornish Fairgrounds Advisory Board. The selectmen, after considerable deliberation about getting more applicants, has decided to table the issue until the next meeting to see if they can recruit more candidates.

Marcus, Clegg & Mistretta P.A. has submitted the Maine Energy Settlement Documents regarding Regional Waste settlement. The selectmen will review and sign them.

Vinal will review snowplowing contract suggestions from MMA and revise accordingly.

Diane will contact Mr. Mike Rogers from Maine Revenue Tax Dept. regarding tree growth penalty withdrawal of lot R08-006.

Vinal will review RFP and edit it accordingly for the town's purpose.

Personal property submissions have been received from most business owners. The town will wait until re-evaluation to correct any discrepancies.


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