

## **Selectmen's Meeting June 8, 2005**

Vinal Pendexter, John Palmer and Peggi Aspinall were present. Meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. The warrants and minutes of prior meeting were reviewed and approved. A motion was made to approve an application for a renewal of Liquor License for Krista's restaurant. Seconded and approved. Additionally, the Selectmen signed a personal property rebate application for US Bancorp.

Three quick claim deeds were presented for signature of the Selectmen; R08-039A Dorsey, U03-046 Louise Gilman, and R08-039A Dorsey.

Vinal informed the Selectmen a complaint had been filed with Maine Human Rights Commission by Mr. Leon Chadwick. Mr. Chadwick alleges discrimination in violation of Chapter 501, Public Law 1971. A motion was made to have the complaint notification delivered to Mr. David Brandt for his review and comment. Motion seconded and approved. Notification letter will be delivered to Mr. Brandt's office on Thursday, June 9, 2005.

A memo was also received from the Eleven Town Group Select board regarding PSAP/Dispatch Consolidation. Scott Pingree has been attending the meetings. Vinal asked that a copy of the memo be given to Scott Pingree for review and action.

Mr. Brandt sent the lease agreement, between the Town and D.O.T., for the communication tower on the Hessian Hill property for the Selectmen's approval. The Selectmen asked that a copy of the agreement be sent to Sam Gilpatrick for his input prior to any action being taken.

A letter from the Department of Economic & Community Development informing the Town they have not yet received the Annual Report of Program Income for the Town. Vinal told the Selectmen that he has been in contact with John Cleveland and was told by John that he will take care of preparing the report.

The Selectmen reviewed the FEMA Department of Homeland Security – Biennial Report for 2003-2004. A copy of the report and questionnaire was given to Rob Millard for his input and completion.

Vinal met with Jeff Colby since the last meeting regarding him constructing a display case for our Boston Cane. Jeff Colby will stop by the Town Office to examine the cane and determine measurements.

Mr. Gobel from the State D.O.T. informed Vinal that he when he comes to Cornish to meet with the Selectmen sometime over the next two to three weeks he will be bringing a Traffic Engineer along. Mr. Gobel reminded Vinal that a study had been done at the time of the last road revisions.

Vinal investigated the tree on Mr. Bash's property that we received a complaint on. Vinal confirmed that the tree is dead and will need to come down. Elaine will contact Mr. Bash to see if he is still willing to take the tree down himself as he had offered.

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Scott Pingree attended the meeting to discuss the status of the new fire station. He inquired on the status of outstanding invoices to be paid. The items remaining to be done prior to scheduling an open house were discussed. Selectmen reviewed the new fire station's insurance policy and approved payment.

Selectmen went into Executive Session. Once out of Executive Session, a motion was made to abate John H. Pease 2002's real estate taxes as an error could have been made. Seconded and approved. A letter to be written to inform Mr. Pease of the Selectmen's decision and inform him that the necessary paperwork to remove the lien will be processed by Diane Harrington.

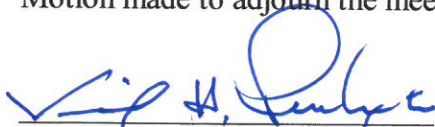
John Palmer suggested that the Selectmen send a letter of appreciation or a thank you card to Ron Phinney for the volunteer electrical work he has done for the Odd Fellows Hall. In addition to the many hours of labor, Mr. Phinney has supplied all the materials required to bring the electrical system up to code. A thank you card will be sent out.

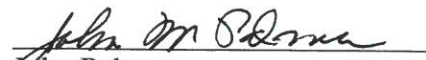
The Selectmen reviewed a request for abatement of real estate taxes submitted by Paul Sargent. They asked that a letter be drafted explaining that the Town is in the process of a revaluation and ask that he wait until the process is completed.

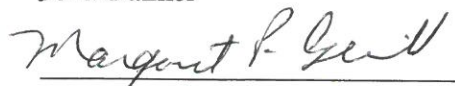
At Diane Harrington's request, Vinal asked that a letter be drafted to Bill Johnson requesting return of the keys for Pike Hall that he had picked up from George Hendrick.

Peggi Aspinall asked if there has been any progress towards changing the speed limit on Cumberland Street. No progress has been made to date. Also mentioned by Peggi, Bill Hoxie was asked to paint the fence at Rte 25 and Cumberland Street over a year ago and has not done it to date. Vinal asked that if anyone should see Bill to remind him of the work to be done.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting. Seconded.

  
Vinal Pendexter

  
John Palmer

  
Margaret Aspinall