

**Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting
July 24, 2013**

AGENDA: Open Snow Plowing Contract Bids

Vinal Pendexter, Nancy Perkins, and Dan Sherman were present for the meeting.

First order of business was to open the bid submitted for snow plowing. David Whitney bid \$119,000 per season and added a fuel clause to the 3-year contract. The clause states that David Whitney absorbs the "pump price" minus the State and Federal fuel tax credit the Town currently receives.

Topics discussed included: the fuel clause, keeping the banks pushed back, and parking a plow truck in the sand and salt shed (only during extreme snowfalls). David Whitney asked for branches to be cut back along Weeks Road, Spur Road, Pulsifer Orchard Drive, and a portion of Hessian Hill Road.

Motion made to award David Whitney the contract for \$119,000 with the fuel clause. Seconded and Approved. Contract signed by David Whitney and the Selectmen.

Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants and the Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed. Motion made to accept the Warrants and Minutes. Seconded and approved.

Bonds in the amount of \$20,000 each secured for Road Commissioner and General Assistance Administrator positions through Clark Insurance. Clark Insurance upgraded the type coverage on fire department vehicles from Replacement Cost to Agreed Value. Meeting to be scheduled with Clark Insurance the week of August 5th – 9th.

Vinal Pendexter replaced Margaret Aspinall as the authorized signature for the Town's financial accounts. Selectmen signed the paperwork at the meeting.

LRAP Certification that DOT funds have been dispersed for authorized uses signed by Dan Sherman and Nancy Perkins.

Department of Elections approached Cornish and offered use of a tabulating machine at no cost for three years. Town would pay programming expenses for municipal elections. Motion made to decline the offer. Seconded and approved. Paperwork to be returned to Department of Elections was signed by Vinal Pendexter.

Reviewed and discussed the various financial components for determining a mil rate for 2013 taxes. Motion made to increase the 2013 mil rate to 12.5 per 1000. Seconded and approved.

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Kay Deal phoned the town office and David Deal called Nancy at home to voice complaint that Mellen & Son would not pick up their trash (from clearing out their home for sale) and quoted them a price of \$50 to haul it off. Vinal will talk with Steve Mellen to get his perspective on the issue.

Nancy attended a workshop on Economic Development in York County that she hopes to be worthwhile as an avenue for funds for the Pike Hall ADA Project. The area's "Place Based Assets", what is unique about here, is to be compiled and then incorporated into a tourism information system. CAB will be given literature Nancy received at the workshop for their review and possible suggestions.

After the first MSAD#55 School Board Committee's Long Range Planning Committee meeting, Karen James, Don Isaacs, and Carl Landry called Committee members Sue Ruhlin and Heidi Pauling into an office and informed them this isn't what school committee wanted from the Long Range Planning Committee. The School Board members stated they don't want the Committee to have a vote, they want the Committee to look at school closures and the high school's ADA project. The next meeting of the Long Range Planning Committee is August 12th. Nancy asked if one of the other selectmen would plan to attend in her absence.

Dan presented Heli Modified, Inc. concerns: wide cracks in pavement in need of maintenance, the entry door (facing Route 25) needs a stair, ice dams build up on that side of the building due to poor insulation, and the corrugated metal is rusting due to the ice dam melting and splashing up onto the building. Harry and Cindy Eddie were asked to put the concerns in a letter to the selectmen.

Cornish Water Project on Route 5 is completed. Dan noticed after the recent rains it ponds at intersection of Route 5 and Trafton Street and needs to be addressed before the winter weather.

Angus King's Office will send a representative out to talk with the towns about cable expansion. Dan responded that Cornish is interested and he would attend.

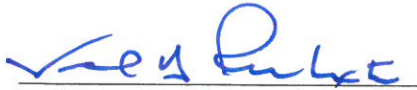
John Morressey, Planning Board Chair wrote a letter to selectmen to indicate road corrections to the Shoreland Zoning Map are holding up the Public Hearing. Selectmen made plans to attend Planning Board's next meeting on 8/5/13 to discuss the issue.

Matt Cama, Cornish EMA Director asked selectmen to review and approve a letter he wrote hoping for submission to the Planning Board. His letter is pointing out the safety concerns he identified with Rite Aid's application before the Planning Board to house a storage container in the parking lot. Selectmen approved the letter and also Matt submitting it to the Planning Board.

An ad for Request For Bid of Town Offices Snow Removal and Sanding and also Snow Removal around Thompson Park to run 7/31 and 8/7.

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Motion made to adjourn the meeting.



Vinal Pendexter



Daniel Sherman



Nancy S. Perkins