

Selectmen's Meeting

September 1, 2004

Present: Vinal Pendexter, John Palmer, Margaret Aspinall

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

The contract for the carpentry work at the new Fire Station presented and reviewed. Motion made and seconded to have Vinal approve and sign contract.

Tower deal - Hessian Hill is moving along slowly. Deeds have been reviewed. Vinal has a survey of property showing the right of way to property. Vinal stated that he sees no problem with that part of it. Vinal and Sam went up to site and had a look at it; tower is in excellent condition, much more rugged than our other tower; nice building, and it has a generator in it, which they are leaving as Vinal understands it. But even if they don't, we won't need it. The deal also includes the land, approximately 2 acres. As of this meeting date, no further word from Mr. Plant.

Fire Station work did not progress as hoped last week. Still looking to complete the concrete pouring for the bays. This week seems to be back on track with work. Carpenters are there with all the material needed, concrete worker ready to lay down the foam insulation and put down the forms to pour the rest of the bays. We got the deed work back from Paul Watson and everything is squared away.

As an outcome of the public meeting RE: Henry Holmes proposed development, a dispute arose regarding ownership of the parcel of land sold to Mr. Holmes. Selectmen received a letter from H. Holmes' attorney clarifying their legal position. Letter will be copied and forwarded to the Planning Board for their information.

York County EMA is holding an Emergency Crisis Planning Course on October 18-19 at the Village by the Sea in Wells. Tuition for course is free. Vinal requested that copies of the information be passed along to the Fire Department, Superintendent's Office and the Sacopee Rescue for their review and possible interest in attending.

Heli Modified wrote a letter to request a meeting to discuss the options of the building and land they occupy as their lease will expire 01/05. John Cleveland and Vinal will have to set up meeting with the Eddies regarding the lease and how they want to proceed.

Vinal has yet to hear from DOT regarding the High St. one-way. Contract will need to be drawn up by Vinal Pendexter for the 2004 - 2005 Snow Plowing season.

Peggi informed the Selectmen that she has completed the RFP for Revaluations and submitted the information to Vinal for review and comment. She has contacted the people at TRIO to discuss the options for input of data once the revaluations are complete. Options to be reviewed and decided upon once we have a schedule date for the revaluations.

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Diane informed the Selectmen of a real estate tax complaint from Mr. Provencher regarding the way taxes are being collected for the property at 80 Spur Road. Diane to get deeds to Vinal Pendexter for evaluation.

Peggi asked if letter written by owner of the Cornish Inn had been addressed. Discussion was held regarding the two topics addressed in her letter namely; removal of the fence on the High Street side of Thompson Park and the feasibility of a cross walk on High St. Discussion of topics followed. Motion was made and seconded for Peggi to draft a letter of response.

John Palmer and Diane Harrington will be attending the meeting at Waterboro Town Hall where the Palesky Tax Cap Initiative will be discussed, along with the impact study in the region that identifies both financial and service delivery.

The Boston Cane has been returned to the Town Office awaiting the presentation to Mrs. Gladys Davis at the upcoming Apple Festival.

Diane addressed the Selectmen regarding the insurance requirements for lease of the Pike Hall to the public. The renter must sign an agreement to "hold the town harmless" at time of rental. Likewise there will need to be an agreement of such when alcohol will be served. Motion made by Vinal to require people that rent the Pike Hall to sign releases. Seconded by Peggi.

Diane requested salary rate and list of duties for the janitor position. The Selectmen want the position to be contract laborer only. Duties to be performed include set up and tear down for Town events, clean up bathrooms and downstairs as needed. Diane will research rate of pay from prior records.

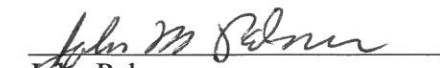
Diane relayed request from Mr. Barton to use the Pike Hall on November 16th for a Guitar Workshop. Request denied as Hall rental policy is extended to only non profit and private groups.

Request for a "NO Braking" sign on Maple Street was discussed. No decision at this time.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn.



Vinal Pendexter



John Palmer

Margaret Aspinall