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Vinal Pendexter, Margaret Aspinall, and Nancy Perkins were present for the meeting.

Mike Edgecomb of Time Warner Cable present for initial meeting with selectmen to discuss the process for negotiation of a new franchise contract in 2012. The current contract was a consortium of 5 towns. Nancy will coordinate a meeting of surrounding towns and Time Warner for mid November.

Scott Rowley, Cornish Association of Businesses proposed installing a support system to handle banners for Thompson Park. Motion that the selectmen are agreeable with the concept of the "system", but must come back with research of alternative materials for the poles with endorsement of the material by an engineer, and the location of the underground water pipes in the park. Seconded and approved.

Warrants and minutes were reviewed and signed.

A contract from CN Brown for heating fuel at a rate of \$2.149/gallon for the 2009/10 reviewed. Motion made to accept the CN Brown contract price. Seconded. Vote was two for/one against.

Issues of the inaccessibility of the Code Enforcement Officer presented to the selectmen. A discussion of possible alternatives followed. Vinal will speak with Rob.

A MMA Endorsement for removal of the stable/barn/apt building at the Cornish Fairground from the Town Property and Liability policy was signed.

Motion made to approve three (3) separate requests to use the Fire Barn for Boy and Girl Scouts meetings. Seconded and approved. Diane proposed and selectmen agreed with the idea of asking the groups to rotate monthly the cleaning of the Fire Barn as a community service. Diane will contact the various leaders.

The selectmen tabled a request to use Pike Memorial Hall in December until next meeting.

Motion made to approve advertising for a Planning Board Alternate. Seconded and approved.

801 for W.L. Sturgeon signed.

Motion made to re-appoint Peg Gomane Maxwell to the Cornish Fairgrounds Advisory Board and advertise for one opening on the board. Seconded and approved.

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Abatement/supplement for AVESTA and Peter/Michelle Godino (U04-023) signed.

Assessor Certificate of Assessment along with the Municipal Valuation Return signed.

The town had an unannounced inspection by John Reed of the Maine Bureau of Labor. Selectmen discussed the corrective action required to comply with findings.

Diane reports five abatement requests for 2009 real estate taxes to date.

The benefit concert held for Pike Memorial Hall raised \$568.00. Nancy will draft a "Thank You" for the Shopping Guide.

Frank Sanborn proposes purchasing a Town owned parcel that abuts his property. Motion made to put on agenda for next meeting. Seconded and approved.

Cornish Hardware informed Nancy Perkins that weekend events held at Pike Memorial Hall are using the parking lot and impacting the business. Lovejoy Insurance is requesting Cornish Hardware be additionally insured on the Town's policy since we are using their lot.

Joe Moser wants to sell a 2-acre lot off his larger parcel. This 2-acre lot is way beyond where the Old High Road (the travel part) stops, but the road continues to Route 5. Joe estimates it is 900 feet to where he wants to sell. He's requested a determination in writing from the Town as to the status of the road; abandoned, discontinued, discontinued to maintenance. Historically our stand has been to classify a road we know has not been maintained for a while as presumed to be discontinued to maintenance but still a Town road. Joe is only interested in knowing the current status of the road. Motion made to respond to Joe Moser's request as to the status of the road as "presumed discontinued to maintenance, but still a town way." Seconded and approved.

Three contractors responded to the request for proposal for the Pike Hall roof project. Steeplejacks bid of \$16,490, Fred T. Reinhard, Inc. bid of \$12,000 and D. G. Walls & Sons Construction bid of 7,500. Motion made to award the job to Fred T. Reinhard, Inc.

Motion made to adjourn. Seconded and approved.

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Vinal Pendexter

Margaret Aspinall

Nancy Perkins