

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday April 2, 2012 6:30pm

Present: John Hammond, Larry Dingee, Merilynn Bourne

1. Selectmen signed checks and reviewed mail.
2. Bill Gallagher and Jim Barker met with Selectmen to provide an update on the membership of the Conservation Commission. Bill reports that Jim has been voted the Chair and will also continue in his role as Treasurer. Bill's three year term has expired and he would like to be appointed to another three year term. Merilynn moved, seconded by John Hammond to re-appoint Bill Gallagher to a three year term. The vote was unanimous and in the affirmative. Bill reports that Lowell Callahan and Betty Caterino are stepping down. The Selectmen will review submitted names and appoint two new members.
3. Doug Hackett stopped in to ask if there was anything we needed to discuss. All is quiet.
4. Chris Mann met with Selectmen to ask about a convenient time for a meeting with New Hampshire DPW regarding his request for a curb cut for a second driveway. The Selectmen report that Friday's are good days.
5. Dan Michaud met with Selectmen for his building permit. The fee is \$100.00; paid by check.
6. Kyle Witty met with Selectmen for a review of department business. Kyle was told of Dwayne Tabor's request for a driveway permit/curb cut for logging purposes. Kyle reports that the only calls he is receiving are those regarding road postings.
7. Jay Young met with Selectmen for a building permit for a new barn. Permit #369-12 \$50.00 fee paid in cash.
8. John Hammond reports he will not be available for this Friday's meeting and Larry Dingee reports he will not be here for the April 20th meeting.
9. Larry left the meeting at 7:30 for a meeting in Weathersfield.
10. Mike Duval met with Selectmen to ask about his driveway permit/curb cut. He has applied to the state. John and Merilynn stated that the town has no oversight relative to curb cuts off state roads. The board leaves that decision to the state. Mike commented on his dissatisfaction with the process he went through with the Planning Board. He felt they were not organized and that lack of organization cost him time and money. He had to pay a wetlands professional twice for work that could have been accomplished in one visit had the Planning Board asked two questions at one meeting instead of asking one question and then another related question a month later.

Adjourned 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Merilynn Bourne, Selectwoman

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday April 6, 2012 2:00pm

Present: Larry Dingee, Merilynn Bourne

1. Selectmen and the Town Treasurer called Mark Stetson of Avitar to discuss the telephone company's abatement request. Mark reports that last fall there was no information on an inventory of poles, rights-of-way, conduit, etc. Also the state had not legislated an exemption for these properties. That bill died in session. Avitar provided an estimate of value based upon the info they had at the time. It turns out that Avitar's count was high. The phone company provided Avitar with a report that shows the discrepancy. Avitar was asked if anyone has

checked on the accuracy of the phone company's count. Mark believes their count is accurate based upon the reports he's seen. Avitar had used a formula of road miles with an estimate of "so many poles per mile". Avitar was asked for a count based upon that formula. Mark also stated that other towns are processing the abatement requests. All towns have included sufficient funds in their overlay for this purpose.

Heidi asked the Selectmen about the Rock property and the process for selling it. The Selectmen will be advertising for sealed bids shortly.

2. Selectmen and the Road Agent met with Doug King from the NH Dept. of Transportation and Mary Beth Heiskell and Chris Mann regarding their request for a curb cut within the state's right-of-way. The cut can not be made at that location due to line of sight within an intersection. Mary Beth and Chris will reconsider the location for a curb cut for a drive leading to their boat shed.
3. Bill Fitts met with Selectmen to discuss a quote from NEVTEC for the installation of a kitchen hood system. Bill was encouraged to speak with someone from Grey's Sheet Metal for a quote. He was asked to quote for a 5 foot hood. Bill will also do a little research on used stoves.
4. Paul Whalen met with Selectmen to talk about fire trucks. Larry reports that Dingee Machine is working on the drawings for the new truck. Larry is ready to start modifications on the chassis. The new drawings should be ready next week. Paul states he can get Larry whatever is needed for measurements. Larry thinks he is ok at this point. "Width and depth wise, we're fine. The height may be different." Regarding bids for work on Engine 2, Paul reports that he can only get hourly rates. John is not available today so the decision will be made Monday night. We will call Paul Monday evening if we have questions.
5. Mary reports that Heather Meeks has called to ask about the camping situation at the intersection of Center Road and Jonesville Road. There has been year round camping now and cars parked in the road. The Selectmen will look into it.

Adjourned 4:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Merilynn Bourne, Selectwoman

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday April 9, 2012 6:30pm

Present: John Hammond, Merilynn Bourne

1. Paul Whalen called the office to report on bids for parts for the repair of Engine Two. Desorcey states they would charge \$680 for parts and Valley Fire Equipment quoted \$1,230 for the same parts. The parts are: A Field Service Valve Kit; Ball Valve; Primer Valve; Shifter Repair Kit and Shaft Replacement Unit.
2. Heather Meeks met with Selectmen to ask about the logging operation on the Ivanof property. She was advised to mark her boundary lines prior to any operation to ensure the logger does not inadvertently take any trees off her land. She also asked about Art Holmes and stated that he has spent the entire winter in his camper which is not allowed by code. Heather is worried about septage as he is in a wetland area. Selectmen will write a letter and monitor the situation.
3. Dale Rook met with Selectmen to report that he and Judy had cleaned up several bags of trash from the Class VI portion of Tandy Brook Road. We thanked him for his volunteer effort and we discussed how to secure access to that portion of the road.
4. Selectmen reviewed mail and signed checks.
5. Selectmen found Dingee Machine's Change Order in the day's mail. The change is for the addition of a pump heater and heat pans for a total of \$1,621.00. Selectmen Hammond and Bourne authorized the change.

6. Connie Couseman called to state that she has authorized \$580 for fuel for a family in-need in Cornish. We will see the bill within the week.

Adjourned 8:30pm
Respectfully submitted,
Merilynn Bourne, Selectwoman

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday April 13, 2012 2:00pm

Present: John Hammond, Merilynn Bourne, Larry Dingee

1. Selectmen reviewed mail and invoices.
2. Doug King, NH DOT, met with Selectmen to discuss guard rail replacement at the Cornish-Windsor covered bridge. Doug explained that due to the historic nature of the bridge the DOT wished to let the town know in advance of the replacement work and the fact that the new rails will not be like the old material. They will not have the "rust effect" but they will also not be "shinny". The rails will have a flat finish. Doug provided photos of the material to be used. Selectmen will put a post in Connect Cornish notifying the public of the work. Doug is not certain when the work will begin but it will be sometime this summer. John asked Doug about changing the curve on the guard rail to allow for more room when making a turn to the north. The Selectmen asked Mr. King to provide the Selectmen with a 3-4 week notice before the work begins to allow for plenty of time to notify the town's residents.
3. Maggie Edwards met with Selectmen to ask about tax exemptions. She left her file and the Selectmen will review.
4. Selectmen called Danielle Neilly to report that as long as the footprint of the shed is 30 feet back from the fence they should be fine. Danielle agreed to measure from that point and stated there was plenty of room for that placement. Selectmen signed the permit with that note.
5. Bill Fitts met with Selectmen to discuss the Town Hall kitchen. Bill reports that Gray's declined to bid on the job due to the regulations. Selectmen reviewed current bids. Bill wants to ask bidders how they intend to deflect make-up air. Merilynn asked if we are required to have a make-up air unit. Selectmen called Scott Reuthe to ask about the regulations for a make-up air unit and the requirement for engineered plans for the hood. Scott said the fire marshal's office does not require it. Regarding engineered drawings, they are not required but they are recommended. Bill will get quotes on 5' and 6' hoods to allow us to make a decision. New England Kitchen will be asked about the cost of going through the wall and not the roof.
6. Kyle Witty spoke with Selectmen regarding fuel for the highway department. Off-road fuel is cheaper because there is no federal tax but it would require another tank. Kyle has a tank and a pump that he would sell to the town. Kyle thinks off-road fuel could save \$1,500 a year. Kyle would like the Board to consider. The town has been offered a 20 ton trailer which is also something the town should consider. It would haul the roller as well as other pieces of equipment. John reported on Mr. Furgat's call regarding run off from a neighbor's drive. John thinks there is not a problem but would like Kyle to look at it. Kyle asked about his tax card and the condition of his home as reported on the card. The condition is not reported accurately. Kyle was told that Mary will contact Avitar to have an assessor meet with him to inspect the house.
7. At 3:30pm, Kyle Witty, Road Agent, asked for a non-public session to discuss personnel. John Hammond moved to go into non-public session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter; Merilynn seconded; John, Larry and Merilynn voted, "Aye". Selectmen exited the non-public session at 4:00pm.

8. Doug Miller met with Selectmen to discuss his current use application. He is putting the land from 3 contiguous lots into current use with the exception of the driveway and 2.5 acres for house lots. A total of 20 acres (+/-) will be placed into current use. The application is due Monday, April 15, 2012 which is the deadline for this year.
9. John and Merilynn discussed bids for repair work on Engine 2. Dingee Machine submitted a bid but they did not bid on "just new parts" as the other two bidders had done. The Dingee Machine bid included labor and a bid on re-built parts so we could not compare that bid with the other two. Larry was asked if Dingee Machine wished to submit a bid for just new parts, no labor. Larry stated this it was his opinion that bidding it that way did not comply with his understanding of the advice given by the LGC two weeks ago. Larry added he was aware of his responsibility as a Selectmen when bidding on jobs in excess of \$200. Merilynn stated that Paul Whalen had a conversation with LGC and was told that labor is not to be considered in the bid. The statute covers parts only so the quotes should be for the cost of the parts only and the decision to award should be based upon who has the lowest bid for new parts. That is how you determine who would be lowest for the entire job. Larry stated that if that was how it was being done, he was not interested in bidding. John moved to award the work on Engine 2 to Desorcie, as they were the low bid, seconded by Merilynn. The vote was unanimous (all three selectmen) and in the affirmative.
10. Larry Dingee moved to authorize the town attorney to sell, by sealed bid or auction, the property formerly owned by Seward Rock with a minimum bid of \$45,000, seconded by Merilynn Bourne. The vote was unanimous and in the affirmative.
11. Selectmen called Blue Mountain Forest Association to let them know that both deeds for the "land swap" were filed on March 12th, Book 1833, Page 0635, Sullivan County Registry of Deeds.
12. Selectmen reviewed the abatement request by NE Telephone. Selectmen called Avitar to ask why Mark believes his count of poles is too high. Mark will get back to us on Friday.
13. Larry Dingee moved to grant Maggie Edwards' exemption request, John Hammond seconded; the vote was unanimous and in the affirmative. John placed a call to Ms. Edwards to inform her of the Board's decision.

Adjourned 5:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Merilynn Bourne, Selectwoman

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday April 20, 2012 2:00pm

Present: John Hammond, Merilynn Bourne (Larry Dingee, absent)

1. Selectmen reviewed mail and invoices.
2. Kyle Witty asked for a meeting with Selectmen to discuss a personnel issue. At 2:45pm, Merilynn Bourne moved to enter a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A, seconded by John Hammond. John voted "Aye" and Merilynn voted "Aye". Selectmen exited the non-public session at 3:15pm.
3. Bill Fitts met with Selectmen to review updated bids. Kevin Morgan provided a quote on a new 36" range with battery spark ignition for \$2218 or \$1575 for a stove with a pilot. Bill spoke with Rhymes and was told that a pilot burns 2.5 – 3 gallons of fuel per month. Bill feels the battery ignition would pay for itself over time. Selectmen discussed the need for a make-up air unit. The group does not feel it is needed. John commented that the board could make a decision on a quote Monday evening. Merilynn agrees.
4. Brandon Davis from Paget Road called the Selectmen to report that he bottomed out on a rock about three weeks ago on a Sunday and damaged his oil pan. John reported that the town does

not pay for damages such as his. Merilynn commented that operators need to drive according to conditions when traveling dirt roads in the spring. Brandon was given the name and number for the road agent.

5. Dwayne Tabor met with Selectmen to discuss his property in Beechwood Acres. He discussed accessing to his property to store a trailer. John states that as long as it is only used occasionally (not 2-3 times a week) there is no need for a driveway permit. As long as there are no culverts being installed that will impact the town road or road right-of-way, there is no problem. John suggested he use the site as he intends to use it and if a problem arises in the future, the selectmen will invite him to revisit the issue.
6. The Selectmen discussed Art Holmes' violation of the camping ordinance. A letter will be composed and sent to Mr. Holmes. Selectwoman Bourne will draft a letter for the Monday evening meeting.
7. Scott Reuthe and Paul Whalen met with Selectmen to review department business. Kyle Witty came back in to meet with Selectmen at 4:30pm. Scott, Paul and Kyle discussed the need for new tires for some of the fire trucks. They discussed the wisdom of buying re-capped tires. Kyle supports the idea; "They should be fine." Kyle will help with the work. Scott would like to pull the good tires off old Engine One to use on one of the other trucks. Mike Monette joined the group. There was a discussion about future work on the fire trucks and the advisability of competent department members doing the work. The Selectmen feel that as long they are capable of doing the work there is no reason why they shouldn't. Mike reminded the board that Memorial Day is a Wednesday this year. The Selectboard will call Sylvia Sivret on Friday next to make arrangements. Mike also mentioned that a good Boy Scout's project would be to clean up the parking area near the Cornish-Windsor Covered Bridge. Merilynn asked Kyle to order a new "No Overnight Parking" to replace the spray painted, damaged version. Paul asked if the town was able to sell the old Engine One to the Fire Association. Selectmen will look into the requirements for divesting of town equipment.

Adjourned 5:15pm
Respectfully submitted,
Merilynn Bourne, Selectwoman

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday April 23, 2012 6:30pm

Present: John Hammond, Merilynn Bourne, Larry Dingee

1. Selectmen reviewed mail and signed checks.
2. Kyle Witty asked for a meeting with Selectmen to discuss a personnel issue. At 6:42pm Merilynn Bourne moved to enter a non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II, a., seconded by John Hammond. John voted "Aye", Merilynn voted "Aye", Larry voted "Aye".
3. Selectmen exited non-public session at 8:05pm.
4. Selectmen discussed the need to review the size of the Highway Department. Kyle thinks we should wait till Fall and then look at hiring a full-time position. There is no need for extra personnel at this time.
5. Selectmen discussed the draft letter to Art Holmes. Selectmen approved the draft for letterhead to be signed Friday.
6. Selectmen met with Bill Fitts to choose a bid for the work in the Town Hall kitchen. Larry made a motion to accept the bid of McNeil Sheet Metal pending drawings and the Fire Chief's approval. Merilynn seconded the motion; John, Larry and Merilynn voted "Aye". McNeil's bid is the most reasonable of the three bids submitted. The work will be in stainless steel and not galvanized.

7. Selectmen called Chief Reuthe to report on the decision to accept the McNeil bid and to ask about the requirement for a make-up air unit. Scott will double check on the question and then get back to Bill Fitts.
8. Bill reports that he has several prices for stoves. 36" with battery ignition is \$2,322.00 (South Bend). Bill reiterated that pilots burn 3-5 gallons of fuel a month per pilot. Same stove with regular \$1,575 and \$195 for the flexible gas line kit.

Adjourned 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Merilynn Bourne, Selectwoman

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Friday April 27, 2012 2:00pm

Present: John Hammond, Merilynn Bourne, Larry Dingee

1. Selectmen reviewed mail and signed invoices.
2. Selectmen discussed personnel issues. A call was made to Kyle to ask him to come to the office to meet with the Selectmen. Larry feels it was the wrong decision because it is not how he would treat one of his employees. Merilynn commented that we are not Dingee Machine. We are the Town of Cornish and are obligated to look out for the best interest of the town, not the employee.
3. Selectmen discussed the issue of tires on Engines One and Two. The issue has been resolved as the Fire Chief has decided to replace the tires on Engine Two with a newer set of tires and will place Engine Two's tires on Engine One. Larry feels the Selectmen should contact the DOT to have the DOT inspect the fire trucks for everyone's peace of mind. Merilynn reported that the DOT has stated they will not come out to inspect. That is not their role.
4. Kyle Witty arrived to speak with the Selectmen.
5. At 3:00pm, Selectwoman Bourne moved to go into Non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, II, a., to discuss a personnel issue. John Hammond seconded, all voted "Aye".
6. At 3:56pm, Selectmen exited Non-public session.
7. John reviewed his meeting with the Town Forest Committee regarding harvesting in the Town Forest. The Forest Plan calls for active management but Ginny Prince is not a proponent of "active" management. John would like a professional to walk the forest to provide us with an overview of the condition of the woods. Invasive species, trees ready to harvest, etc. Ginny made a motion to stay with the "no cut" plan for the next ten years. The motion passed. Merilynn asked if a town vote at the town meeting could override that vote. Not sure. She asked if the Committee was advisory only, like the Finance Committee. The Board needs to read the RSA under which the committee was created and review the Town Forest Committee handbook for answers.
8. Bill Wall met with Selectmen to ask about the new zoning language regarding the definition of agriculture adopted by the town by vote. He presented a copy of the state statutes regarding agricultural land and assessment. Bill asked about the assessment of his land under the state regulations. He feels his land should be assessed as farm land. The board explained the regulations and that, since he has less than 10 acres, he would need to produce invoices to support an income of \$2,500 from farming. The Selectmen will ask Avitar to respond to his concerns.
9. Larry reported to the Board that Bill Fitts had called Larry to report that he had spoken with Randy McNeil about work on the range hood and drawings for that work. Randy would like an acceptance of his quote and partial payment before starting. Merilynn made a motion to accept Randy McNeil's quote, seconded by John Hammond. All voted "aye". A partial payment will be authorized at the Monday night meeting.

10. Scott Reuthe and Paul Whalen met with Selectmen and Larry Dingee to ask Dingee Machine about "seeing the truck". Scott was hoping it could happen on an Officer's Meeting night. Larry said he will arrange for the visit soon. Scott asked about the drawings for the new truck. Larry stated he will put together his cut list for materials, will use the drawings submitted by the committee and put together measurements. Scott asked if there were revised drawings; Larry said "no". He's working off the department's drawings. Larry said "roll up vs. hinged doors" does affect compartment size. There are a few places in the specs where it mentions measurements vs. the drawing submitted by the committee. Larry has enough information as supplied by the department. Right now there is no "fuzziness". Paul says that the back end had very few details. Larry states that there has to be some judgment calls about what he needs to do to make it all fit. Paul offered to get him whatever he needs for the measurements. Larry states he does not need anything now. Scott discussed a change order for on-spot automatic chains. He explained it's a new change order. Larry said to remember that in his experience there are some towns that love them and some that do not. Scott said he is very aware of their pros and cons. Merilyn asked Larry if the Board could expect the change order for the Monday meeting. Larry said "no, probably the Friday meeting." Merilyn asked about the cost. Scott said that Larry quoted around \$1,900. Larry stated the price may have increased a bit since that quote. Merilyn asked about the lights. Larry replied that the body isn't ready for lights yet so when it's time for lights, Larry will contact the Whalen to see what Dingee is obligated to supply (specs) and what Whalen wants to supply above and beyond that. It would be an upgrade to the specs. Larry said that in order for Whalen to be able to get the PR out of the offer, they may require a significant upgrade which will cause more labor to install. Paul states that Whalen has indicated to him that they are not looking to "turn it into a circus". Larry says Paul's contact is not the owner of the company and Larry has had many dealings with the owner so he is not certain Whalen will do what Paul's contact says they will do. Time will tell. Merilyn asked for a change order for the chains next Friday in order to lock down the cost factor. John asked about the Chief's decision for the tires. Scott reported he has ordered four new Michelins for Engine Two and the old Engine Two tires will go on Engine One. Larry asked about the tread patterns on Engine One tires. Scott reported they match. The Fire Department will give the old Engine One tires to the Highway Department for capping to save them money. Larry brought up having the trucks reviewed by DOT to ensure that all equipment is safe. (Mike Monette joined the group in the office) Larry sees no downside to having an inspection done again to put all "fear to bed". Paul reports that they will not. Doug misspoke when he thought they would come and do that. That would make them liable. Doug asked them himself and they said no. Paul commented that the inspection stations only tell you if you're road worthy. They don't tell you the condition of things such as brake lines, etc. The line could be good for the moment but if it's showing signs of wear, the inspection station doesn't report. Paul thinks they do not inspect thoroughly. Paul and Scott will have the truck inspected again. Larry recommends Joe Osgood. Scott commented that all our town equipment has been inspected by the same garage. Mike interrupted the conversation, became argumentative and was told to be quiet. The selectmen continued their conversation with the Chief and Assistant Chief discussing the sheared shock absorber and Mike Monette asked if he could comment. Chair John Hammond told him he could not. The selectmen continued their conversation with the Chief and Assistant Chief and again Mr. Monette asked to speak and was again told "No" by the Chair. At that point Mr. Monette leaped up, started shouting about his right of free speech and, in a rage, hurled the large book that was in his hands across the selectmen's table with such force that it smashed across the table top and struck the Fire Chief. Mr. Monette then verbally assaulted Selectmen Hammond at which time Selectwoman Bourne stood up from her chair and stated she would call the police if he didn't leave immediately. He said he would not so Selectwoman Bourne took the phone and called 911. As she was talking to the officer reporting the issue, Mr. Monette continued to yell at Selectman Hammond and the Chief. By the time Selectwoman Bourne had finished describing the incident Mr. Monette left the office and then the building.

Selectwoman Bourne reported that Officer Stevens was on his way. At this point Selectman Dingee stated he was leaving. Selectwoman Bourne responded that it was completely unacceptable that he leave given the event and the fact that police were on their way and he was a witness. Selectman Dingee stated that the police knew how to find him and they could call to get a statement. Selectman Dingee left the office at 4:55pm. Mr. Hammond, Mr. Reuthe, Mr. Whalen and Ms. Bourne waited for the police to arrive and then reported to the officer on the event. Ms. Bourne felt strongly that charges should be made as the actions of Mr. Monette constituted assault. Officer Stevens asked Chief Reuthe if he had been hit by the book. The Chief responded that he had. Officer Stevens replied that the Chief had the right to file charges and if that is what he wanted to do, Officer Steven would arrest and charge Mr. Monette. John and Scott were not certain they wanted to go that far. Merilynn stated that if they did not, it was akin to condoning the behavior. Officer Stevens offered that a letter of trespass could be presented to Mr. Monette to keep him from the Fire Department properties in town. He would also see if there could be a letter of trespass to keep him from the Town Offices. Selectwoman Bourne said she could accept that and felt very strongly that Mr. Monette has lost his rights to access the property. Elected officials have the right to be protected from individuals who have proven they are not safe. Office Stevens stated he will speak with Chief Hackett and get back to the Selectman.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Merilynn Bourne, Selectwoman

Town of Cornish
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Monday April 30, 2012 6:30pm

Present: John Hammond, Merilynn Bourne, Larry Dingee

1. Kyle Witty was present for the meeting.
2. Selectmen reviewed mail and signed checks.
3. Selectmen discussed the events of Friday regarding the disorderly conduct of a citizen. The Town Attorney states that the Selectmen can most likely get an order of trespass against the offender. John would like to speak with a few individuals prior to making any calls. Merilynn stated she was happy to wait until Friday but that the issue should not be allowed to go beyond that date. Merilynn stated she felt either an Order of Trespass or a charge of Disorderly Conduct was called for.
4. Doug McGrath met with Selectmen to see about a maintenance plan for the ball fields. He was expecting someone from the school and the CREA Committee but there does not appear to be a set date for the meeting. Silvia Sivret, school principal, called into the meeting. Silvia stated that Linda would like a plan between the school and the Selectboard about how the fields will be maintained. Silvia offered "in-kind" work/ labor because the school budget does not allow for any extra funds. John stated that the swales need work. John reports that the town has a back-hoe now so it could be used. Silvia asked how the work was done. Was expertise needed? Kyle stated expertise was needed to ensure that the pitch is maintained to allow water to flow. Cleaning out a swale is not just hand work. Silvia wanted to know how many man hours would be required. The soccer field is the only area where the swales need work. Doug states the swales are not pertinent to maintaining the playing fields. The swales are the town's responsibility. The Selectmen agreed. Silvia states the school will be responsible for lining the field and placing the soccer nets. The maintenance and upkeep should be the school's responsibility. Regarding the back-stop for the baseball field, the backstop should be painted and the school could take that on. Silvia

- would like a list drawn up of the maintenance needs. Merilynn stated we should draw up a list of all the maintenance needs for both the baseball and the soccer fields. We could then designate which needs are to be covered by the town and which needs are to be covered by the school. Silvia asked about fees for the use of the fields by outside groups. Doug reports that we need the port-a-potty now. Selectmen will make that happen. Silvia will talk to Pike about getting more jock sand. John asked Doug about aerating the fields; Doug said it's good to do it from time to time but not a necessity. Doug states the port-a-potty should be placed by the baseball field. It could probably be removed by June 15th. It will need to be at the soccer field from the end of August through the end of October. Doug will get the selectmen the schedule for sports for the school.
5. Pat Pinkson-Burke met with Selectmen to be sworn in as a member of the Conservation Commission. So sworn.
 6. Corey Stevens met with Selectmen to review the events of Friday and to explain the status of the No Trespass orders for the fire department. Corey presented a letter of apology from Mike Monette as well as building files that had been in the possession of Mr. Monette. The board stated that they would contact Corey on Friday with any decision about board actions.
 7. Evelyn Fleming met with Selectmen to discuss the Mastlands property which she successfully bid on at auction. She would like to know what the town may think of her plan. This would not be her primary home. She would like to restore the home to its original grandeur. Would she be able to host corporate events there or community events there; an event center of sorts. Weddings, etc. The previous owners used the property as a primary residence so any commercial uses would need to be permitted. Evelyn stated she would not be running it as a Bed & Breakfast or as an Inn. She might consider short term summer rentals. Evelyn was directed to the Zoning Ordinance. She was informed that there may be a Planning Board meeting this Thursday which she is welcome to attend. Larry will contact her to let her know if the meeting will happen.
 8. Kyle Witty left the meeting.
 9. Selectmen called George Edson to discuss the Maple Tree by the Meeting House which has a number of very large dead limbs. The Meeting House group would hate to see the whole tree taken down but the limbs that are dead do need to be removed. The selectmen will contact Leo Maslan and Gwyn Gallagher to ask for opinions and estimates. John asked George about maintenance on the baseball field. Have plans been made for mowing. George stated the mowing needs to start now. George states that the fields should be mowed no matter what the usage for sports, just to keep them from growing over.
 10. Selectmen called Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Maslan to ask them to look at the tree on the Common in the Flat and provide the Selectmen with their reports (prune or remove) and cost estimates.
 11. Selectmen unanimously agreed not to respond to NHES request for information which would allow Gary Spaulding to receive unemployment.
 12. Merilynn reported to the Selectmen on an LGC seminar May 8th covering the Right To Know law, ethics, conflicts, etc. The seminar, which is free, will be presented in Grantham so it would be a good time to think about taking advantage of the instruction. Mary and Kyle are signed up.

Adjourned 8:50pm
Respectfully submitted,
Merilynn Bourne, Selectwoman