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MESSAGE FROM THE SELECTMEN

To the residents and friends of Vienna:

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Selectmen's Meeting - November 18, 2008

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Brian Church, Linwood Meader, Jr., Steve Lilley, Marti Gross, Barry Emery, John Archard.

1. Linwood reports he will be adding on to a culvert on the Davis Rd and that a new culvert is needed on the corner of the Bean and Cumner Roads. He also reports that all the winter sand and salt has been put up.
2. The Fire Department brought in an additional \$75.00 from chimney cleaning donations bringing the total to \$685.00
3. Reviewed and signed Warrant #22
4. Steve Lilley asked the selectmen to send a letter to the Department of Public Safety, Consolidated Emergency Communications Bureau, to request that the Vienna Fire Department be

dispatched for all automobile accidents that are called in on 911 in the town of Vienna. Brian will write this letter.

5. John Archard, Code Enforcement Officer came in to discuss a code violation investigation. He and the Selectmen went into Executive Session.

Selectmen's Meeting - November 25, 2008

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Brian Church

1. Selectmen signed and sent a letter to Mr. Cliff Wells, the Director of the Consolidated Emergency Communications Bureau. This letter is requesting that the Vienna Fire Department be dispatched to all automobile accidents in Vienna.
2. Selectmen worked on miscellaneous paperwork.

Selectmen's Meeting - December 2, 2008

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Brian Church, Linwood Meader, Jr., Steve Lilley, Marti Gross, Beth Evans from the K.J.

Voting for Town Officials

Friday

March 13, 2009

4:00 - 8:00 pm

The Community Building

Town Meeting

Saturday

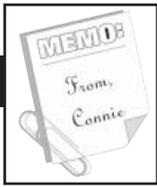
March 14, 2009

9:00 am

The Community Building

1. Animal Control Officer Donald Tibbetts has scheduled a Rabies Clinic for Saturday, January 10th from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM in the community room. The cost will be \$10 per animal. Animals may also be registered at this time.
2. The Vienna Historical Society has donated their storage building that was damaged by fire to the Fire Department. The Fire Department plans to rebuild it and use it for storage.

(See **Selectmen Meeting**, on page 2)



FROM THE DESK OF THE TOWN CLERK

Please note the following important dates:

Nomination Papers for the positions of 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Selectman, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Road Commissioner, and Tax Collector are due back in my office by no later than 6:00 pm on Wednesday, February 4th.

Absentee Ballots will be available on February 12th, contact me for more information.

Vienna Town Election will be held on March 13th at 4:00 pm and polls will close at 8:00 pm. The Town meeting to be held the next day, Saturday, March 14th starting at 9:00 am.

A recap of important dates:

Nomination Papers due back - February 4th

Absentee Ballots available - February 12th

Town Election for officials - Friday, March 13th - 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Town Meeting - Saturday, March 14th - 9:00 am

EXERCISE [★]
your right
...TO VOTE!

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3. Reviewed and signed warrant #23.
4. Linwood reports that during the big rain/snow storm on Nov. 25th / 26th, the Town lost a culvert on the Bean Rd. We also had wash outs on most of our dirt roads. This was due to debris being washed into the culverts during the storm.

Selectmen's Meeting - December 9, 2008

Cancelled due to road conditions.

Selectmen's Meeting December 16, 2008

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Brian Church, Linwood Meader, Jr., Barry Emery, Marti Gross, Beth Evans from the K.J.

1. Reviewed and signed Warrant #24
2. Marti informed the Selectmen that the Town has \$7353.20 of FEMA. money from a 2005 project. The Selectmen voted to release this money into the 2008 general account, earmarking it for road maintenance.

(See **Selectmen Meeting**, on page 5)



Single Stream Recycling

Submitted by Muffy Floyd

In the summer of 2008 The transfer station at Waste Management in Norridgewock changed to “single-stream recycling”. Vienna residents can get a sticker from the town clerk and use the transfer station.

What is single stream recycling? You can put all colors of glass, cardboard, newspaper, mixed paper including milk cartons and juice boxes, as well as all the plastics and metals in one barrel. At the transfer station you would dump your mixed recycling into a single receptacle where it is compressed into large bundles. It is then shipped to a single stream recycling facility where it is sorted and bundled by product to be sold back into the market.

How is this all sorted you may ask? The facility is a 350 million dollar operation consisting of turning cogs and conveyors. The bales are broken open and sent over a system of rubber cogs on shafts that sort out the largest cardboard, then using smaller cogs set closer together the newspaper, mixed paper, and junk mail are sorted out. A magnet removes the tin cans. The remainder is crushed and passed over a series of screens of different sizes to sort out the broken glass and the small plastic Aluminum is removed using a “reverse magnet”. All that remains at the end of the stream is the large plastic where the #2 plastic is manually sorted out. For more information on how this all works you can look at this website for more detail and some pictures : www.ecomaine.org/recycling/

If you are interested in taking your non-curb side recycling to the Norridgewock you can get a copy of the handout detailing the items accepted on The Vienna Website, click on Boards & Committees then on the Merry Dumpsters page. Click on “Waste Management Tips” You will find a handout sheet for single stream drop off at the Norridgewock transfer station. Hours of operation are: Wed- Thurs 9:30-6:00 and Sat 7:30-4:00



Recycling of old TV's

The days of digital Television are fast approaching. I don't know about you but there has been some grumbling to be heard around here over converter boxes and antennas. But if you are one of those who purchased a new digital television and are looking at an old analog television taking up space on the shelf remember that you can recycle it on our first Bulky Pick Up day on May 11th.

All old electronics are taken to Skills in Waterville. This is a non-profit that employs the handicapped. They will service items that are still useful and donate them where they are needed and recycle those that are not. This service includes all the old electronics and computers that we recycle on Bulky Pick Up Days. So, mark your calendars and help keep the lead and other toxic materials out of our landfills by recycling your old analog television.



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VIENNA PLANNING BOARD HELD NOVEMBER 19, 2008

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM. Members present were Waine Whittier, Alan Williams, Bob Bassett, Nanou Laliberte, and Creston Gaither. Also present was forester Bob Moore. Creston had advertised the change of date for this meeting. Minutes of the October 22 meeting were read and accepted.

Mr. Moore presented a forest management plan for Mike Mason’s Mason road parcel (tax map 2 lot 38). The proposed harvest area comprises about 86 acres and will lie entirely outside of the shoreland zone. The Resource Protection and Timber Harvest Ordinance (THO) was reviewed and the proposal was found to be conforming. Creston was therefore authorized to issue the usual permit by letter.

Waine presented Jim Craig’s request to renew his Shoreland Zoning Ordinance (SZO) and THO permit of January 2006. As the board had previously visited the site and neither the proposal nor the pertinent ordinances have changed the usual site visit was waived and Creston was authorized to issue the usual permit by letter, subject to the same conditions originally imposed.

Creston and Bob recused themselves and then Bob outlined his proposed outconveyance of part of his Day Road parcel (tax map 3 lot 29) to abutters Wayne and Sheila Russell. The board agreed that the proposal constitutes a “sale to an abutter” as per note 3 on the 1981 Patten Realty plan and that the board’s formal approval would thus not be required; and that, as a sale to an abutter, the proposal would not require subdivision review.

With Creston and Bob again participating Creston presented Paul “Gus” Libby’s request for renewal of his October 2007 SZO permit for his Day Road/ Kimball Pond parcel (tax map 3 lot 49-K). As the board had previously visited the site and neither the proposal nor the pertinent ordinances have changed the usual site visit was waived and Creston was authorized to issue the usual permit by letter, subject to the same conditions originally imposed.

With Alan Williams recused the board considered Jeff Wilbur’s request for a revised permit to supersede the permit issued last month for a house addition on his Davis Pond site (tax map 6 lot 81), the only change being that the revised building dimensions are to be 16’ x 24’. As the board had previously visited the site and neither the proposal nor the pertinent ordinances have changed (except as noted) the usual site visit was waived and Creston was authorized to issue the usual permit by letter, subject to the same conditions originally imposed.

Numerous recent permits were processed.

A notice from DEP regarding the SZO update process was reviewed. DEP is willing to review the new ordinance prior to its adoption by the Town but requires only that it be submitted to them after the Town adopts it.

Waine outlined his work on the revised SZO draft. He eliminated several zones not applicable to Vienna; retained the square footage formulas for expansion of non-conforming structures (as opposed to the 30% rule), the Town having adopted this approach some time ago; deleted a special expansion allowance from the non-conformance section; and did not “...specify those professions which [the Town] deem[s] qualified to prepare planting and mitigation plans...” though such specifications are permitted. All concurred with these decisions.

There is apparently no requirement that the Town regulate piers and docks etc. that extend into the water. It was agreed that we should nevertheless continue to do so. Waine will ask DEP if we can simply use the existing SZO language to this end.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Creston Gaither, secretary



The Vienna Planning Board postponed its meeting and PUBLIC HEARING regarding the proposed REVISED SHORELAND ZONING Ordinance scheduled for Wednesday, January 28 due to the weather. It will be held on:

Wednesday, February 4
at 7:00 PM

at the Vienna Town House on Town House Road

This ordinance would revise the existing Shoreland Zoning Ordinance which regulates land use near Great Ponds, McGurdy Stream, and some wetlands.

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3. We received our contract from NorthStar Ambulance for July 2009 through June 2010. This contract has an increase of \$2171.00 from our current contract. We are currently seeking an estimate from Winthrop Ambulance for comparison.
4. Dispersed mail & worked on other paperwork

Selectmen's Meeting - December 30, 2008

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Brian Smith, Steve Lilley.

1. Dispersed mail
2. Read and accepted minutes from past meetings.
3. Began preparation of 2008 Town Report.

Selectmen's Meeting - January 6, 2009

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Brian Church, Linwood Meader, Jr., Marti Gross, Beth Evans from the K.J.

1. Reviewed and signed Warrant #25 of 2008.
2. Reviewed and signed Warrant #1 of 2009.
3. Opened and dispersed mail; filed some deeds.
4. Dodi reported that she has made the arrangements to have the Town Report printed by Pettengill Printers in Leeds. Selectmen and others are now working on the contents. The Town Meeting will be on March 14th at 9:00 A.M. Voting for town officials will take place the day before

- Friday 13th from 4:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. We plan on having the Town Reports mailed out by March 7th

Selectmen's Meeting - January 13, 2009

Present: Dodi Thompson, Beth Evans from KJ

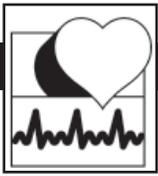
Brief meeting. Dispersed mail, did miscellaneous paperwork. Brian was on a fire call on Tower Road and came later. Chris was working out of town.

Selectmen's Meeting - January 20, 2009

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Brian Church, Linwood Meader, Jr., Marti Gross, Steve Lilley, Barry Emery, John Archard

1. Reviewed and signed Warrant #2
2. We had a discussion about the quality of the plowing of Town House Road (Rt. 41) this winter. At times, it has not been adequate. Chris will contact the Foreman of the crew that plows our area and let him know of our concern.
3. John Archard, CEO, came in to bring us up to speed on a codeenforcement violation concerning two building permits. The property owner in violation has until Jan 30th, 2009 to correct this violation and pay the fines/penalty.
4. Worked on the budget and other reports for the annual Town Report and upcoming Town Meeting.





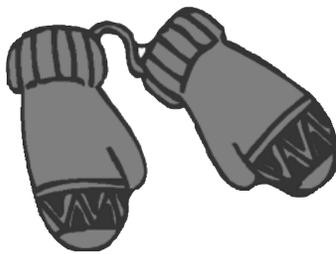
Winter Safety Tips

Submitted by Betsy Bransky

Whether winter brings severe storms, light dustings or just cold temperatures, the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) has some valuable tips on how to keep your children safe and warm.

What to Wear

- Dress infants and children warmly for outdoor activities. Several thin layers will keep them dry and warm. Clothing for children should consist of thermal long johns, turtlenecks, one or two shirts, pants, sweater, coat, warm socks, boots, gloves or mittens, and a hat.
- The rule of thumb for older babies and young children is to dress them in one more layer of clothing than an adult would wear in the same conditions.
- Blankets, quilts, pillows, sheepskins and other loose bedding may contribute to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) and should be kept out of an infant's sleeping environment. Sleep clothing like one-piece sleepers is preferred.
- If a blanket must be used to keep a sleeping infant warm, it should be tucked in around the crib mattress, reaching only as far as your baby's chest, so the infant's face is less likely to become covered by bedding.



Hypothermia

- Hypothermia develops when a child's temperature falls below normal due to exposure to cold. It often happens when a youngster is playing outdoors in extremely cold weather without wearing proper clothing or when clothes get wet.
- As hypothermia sets in, the child may shiver and become lethargic and clumsy. His speech may become slurred and his body temperature will decline.
- If you suspect your child is hypothermic, call 911

at once. Until help arrives, take the child indoors, remove any wet clothing, and wrap him in blankets or warm clothes.

Frostbite

- Frostbite happens when the skin and outer tissues become frozen. This condition tends to happen on extremities like the fingers, toes, ears and nose. They may become pale, gray and blistered. At the same time, the child may complain that her skin burns or has become numb.
- If frostbite occurs, bring the child indoors and place the frostbitten parts of her body in warm (not hot) water. 104° Fahrenheit (about the temperature of most hot tubs) is recommended.
- Warm washcloths may be applied to frostbitten nose, ears and lips.
- Do not rub the frozen areas.
- After a few minutes, dry and cover him with clothing or blankets. Give him something warm to drink.
- If the numbness continues for more than a few minutes, call your doctor.

Winter Health

- If your child suffers from winter nosebleeds, try using a cold air humidifier in the child's room at night. Saline nose drops may help keep tissues moist. If bleeding is severe or recurrent, consult your pediatrician.
- Many pediatricians feel that bathing two or three times a week is enough for an infant's first year. More frequent baths may dry out the skin, especially during the winter.
- Cold weather does not cause colds or flu. But the viruses that cause colds and flu tend to be more common in the winter, when children are in school and are in closer contact with each other. Frequent hand washing and teaching your child to sneeze or cough into the bend of her elbow may help reduce the spread of colds and flu.
- Children between 6 months and 18 years of age should get the influenza vaccine to reduce their risk of catching the flu.

Ongoing

First Saturdays of the month, **LaGrange Cafe** from 9:00 to 11:00 am at the Mill Stream Grange. Benefit for Union Hall maintenance. Live background music. Call Mark Rains for details 293-3967

Mondays, **Knitting/Needlecraft Group** from 1:00 to 3:30 pm at the Mt. Vernon Community Center.

Tuesdays, **Men's Breakfast** from 6:30 - 7:30 am at the Mt. Vernon Community Center. Small donation appreciated.

Wednesdays from 3:30-5:00 beginning Sept. 24th, **"Creation Station"** - a faith-based, creative arts, after school program will begin on at the North Vienna Methodist Church. It is open to all children in grades K-6. For more information, please call Laura Church at 293-3892.

February 2009

Saturday, February 7 at 9:00 am The **Vienna Historical Society Field Trip** to the Maine State Museum in Augusta to see "At Home in Maine." Carpooling from the Grange Hall at 9:00 am for Historical Society members and guests. Admission to the museum is \$2.00 (\$1.00 for seniors 62+). After leaving the museum, we will stop for lunch at the Great Wall Buffet. Storm date: Saturday, February 28, same time and place.

Saturday, February 7 from 11:00-1:00 **An Italian Luncheon** at North Vienna United Methodist Church on the Tower Road, Vienna. HOMEMADE soup, salad, pasta dishes, bread and desserts. Adults: \$6.00 Children ages 5-12: \$3.00 Children under 5: free. *Proceeds to benefit the restoration of our historic sanctuary.*

Saturday, February 7 at 5:30 p.m. **Italian Dinner** at Mt. Vernon Community Center \$7.00. *Proceeds for Mt. Vernon Community Center upkeep.*

Saturday, February 21 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. **Vienna Union Hall Chili/Chowder Supper** to be held at Vienna Community Room. Chili, Fish Chowder, Corn Chowder, Bread, Dessert, Drinks. \$6.00 per person. *Proceeds for Union Hall upkeep.*

March 2009

Saturday, March 7, **Game Night** at the Mt. Vernon Community Center. Watch for posters for details.





COME JOIN US!



Dodi Thompson
Chris Smith
Brian Church

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SELECTMEN MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Tuesdays of every month 6:30 p.m. at the Town House



Vienna Town House - Rte. 41, Vienna, ME

WORK SESSIONS:

*2nd Tuesday at 6:30 pm
4th Tuesday at 6:30 pm
5th Tuesday at 6:30 pm (as needed)*

Vienna Planning Board MEETINGS

The Vienna Planning Board meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Vienna Town House Route 41, Vienna, Maine

For more information, call Waine Whittier, Chair at 293-2072 or Creston Gaither, Secretary at 293-2909

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COMMUNITY SHOP & SWAP

If you have stuff that is not trash but is in your way, it is now possible to have it posted on the Vienna website and in this newsletter. It will be like a classified page of things people in Vienna may want to sell or swap or barter. Just email a description of your item along with contact information to normawing@fairpoint.net.

Ladies Figure Skates, size 10, used 3 times. Blade covers included. \$45.00. laureng@fairpoint.net or 293-3294

3 Cord 14" Length Split Dry Firewood for sale. Mixed hardwood (maple, ash, beech). Prime, dry wood, stacked and covered. You haul. \$600. firm. contact: solardiane@verizon.net (491-6684)

A fairly decent **Clamshell-type Lavatory ...** when we redid the bathroom took that out. Would like \$10 or best offer. **Some Flushes.** Free. Odds and ends of **Vinyl Siding** that could be used on a shed. Free. Contact Harold Bean 293-2536

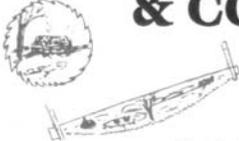
1/2 Cord Firewood. Cut, split, 16" long, good hardwood (ash, beech, oak); semi-dry - a lot can be burned this year. You pick up. \$100.00 Contact Jim Floyd at 293-2148 or email at jimfloyd@fairpoint.net

Foam Loveseat 5' long, blue, in good condition, can be folded into a bed. Good for spare room or camp. Free. Contact Jim Floyd at 293-2148 or email at jimfloyd@fairpoint.net



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“ I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do. ”

- Edward Everett Hale



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Wed thru Fri
7:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sat & Sun
8:00 am - 2:00 pm

DINNER & MUSIC Nights

Saturdays 5:30 pm - 9:00 pm
No Reservations

Feb 14th John Archard & Friends

Mar 21st TBA

Buying products and services locally will help develop the economic vitality of our community.

