Town Manager Report July 01, 2008

- 1) Had a productive meeting with Kim Moody and the Nichols regarding Snow's Pit. Still pulling together my total thoughts for presentation to BOS.
- 2) Had the SW Task Force Meeting on June 25th to further discuss commercial and campground waste handling. Notes to be handed out at the 7/1/08 BOS meeting.
- 3) Worked on finalizing the town hall renovations plan and pricing.
- 4) Have put in quite a bit of time on three development issues; a building permit on 3rd Ave, a calling of a performance bond and some enforcement issues on a campground.
- 5) Spent more time on the reserve accounts and the new chart of accounts (TRIO is doing this for \$385 by June 30th). Also spent time following up end of year work.
- 6) Had meetings and discussions with the new Fire Chief on a range of topics, but mostly about new organizational structure, schedule, expectations and pay issues.
- 7) Attended and have been made a member of the regional school unit committee, along with Wendy Sanborn as the BORS representative. I also agreed to chair the communication committee (getting word and understanding out to the three communities).
- 8) Spent some time with engineer and contractor finalizing Birch Drive and Ricker Road. On Ricker Road, we realized an \$18,500 savings on the ledge bid. They only encountered like 11-12 CY of ledge, so in effect their bid price = \$18,500 less than we approved.
- 9) It appears that the state is projecting some \$88,000 more in Municipal Revenue Sharing than we had budgeted as a revenue. =) We'll see if the economy holds together enough to make that come true.
- 10) We have a new student intern from PRHS, Jake Neal, who will be donating about three halfdays per week. He is proof-reading / correcting our web site and will be heading up our "scanning" effort of documents that we will be putting on hard-drives instead of the many filing cabinets we have.
- 11) We have been working with AVCOG to schedule a free-of-charge, household hazardous waste (HHW) day for Poland residents on August 9th from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. This is a great opportunity for residents to get rid of such things as pesticides, paint thinner, chlorine, old gas, etc. without having to get a permit and travel to Lewiston to the HHW facility.
- 12) Spent time working on a policy and form for the request of public information per the new state law and emphasis on openness. See the invitation (Mechanic Falls will join us).
- 13) Continuing work on some overdue taxes / town-owned properties / payment arrangements.