

Town of Rumney  
Planning Board Minutes  
June 24, 2014

Present: Steve Weber, Jerry Thibodeau, David Coursey, Carl Spring, Cheryl Lewis, Brian Flynn, Alternates David Saad and David Landseadel sitting for Rob Arey.

Absent: Rob Arey

Chairman Jerry Thibodeau opened the meeting at 7:01 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of May 27, 2014 were approved with corrections.

The budget update was provided by the Clerk.

**Greg Sanborn:** Greg Sanborn appeared before the Board to inform them that rocks from the CNHA pit blast on May 29, 2014 were scattered about his gravel pit property – Tax Map #16-4-1 – on Route 25. He further stated his son lives on this property and was never notified of a blast taking place. Greg feels this needs to stop – safety concerns – and wants a padlock on the gate of CNHA until he comes up to snuff. They cut corners and did not follow procedure. Greg feels Mr. Latulippe works on “money, volume and time to make more dollars” with no concern for safety. (Pictures have been taken of the rocks, sand beds and trees destroyed by flying rock.)

Greg also told the Board the 10’ buffer has never been put in place on the CNHA side of their property line – he has one in place and cannot sell the product it contains. However, CNHA has removed their buffer and profited from the sale of that product. The back corner of Greg’s pit is also wet as the retaining pond on CNHA property leaks through to his property.

When asked if this would happen if the blast was matted, Greg stated the top of the blast was probably matted but the rock would fly off the face of the blasted area.

Greg was asked what his wishes were – he will hire someone to clean up the rock and would like to be financially compensated for this. His sand beds are contaminated by the infusion of rocks. He does not want Mr. Latulippe on his property to do clean up. He wants the buffer to be installed as required by the Excavation Regulations and the pond leaching be corrected.

Carl S. stated Precision Blasting did not notify abutters, there was no warning whistle and did not follow the guide lines they had provided to the Town. There is no safety fence in place at the top of the ledge or any “blasting area” signs in place on the property.

Carl made a motion to notify the Selectmen that the Planning Board wants this violation to be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Brian F. seconded this motion. Carl then amended the motion to “include all prior violations in the package to prosecute”. The amended motion was seconded by Brian F. and voted in the affirmative by the Board.

Greg will provide a written complaint to the Selectmen’s office.

**Racine:** Carl S. made a motion to enter non-public session, seconded by Dave C. per RSA 91-A:3,II(c) and agreed to by the Board at 7:42 pm. Jerry T. made a motion to leave non-public session, seconded by Brian F. and agreed to at 8:00 pm. No decisions were made.

**Lightfoot:** (Cheryl Lewis recused herself from this item) A letter was received from Mrs. Lightfoot inquiring if her letter of March 31 to the Board would be answered. A short letter had been prepared to answer her and was signed by Chairman, Jerry Thibodeau.

**Informational: J. Joyce,** School Street had a DES permit to replace a failed septic system and a permit to operate the replacement septic system.

**Rumney Rocks Bistro** had requested letters to the State Liquor Commission for serving both inside the restaurant and on the outside patio. The Selectmen had sent the letters-copies provided.

**Greg Sanborn:** An Intent to Excavate has been filed by Greg for his pit on Route 25. Pit inspections were questioned – the Clerk will email Rob Arey to inquire as to when he can do these.

**NCC:** Meeting notices and the June e-bulletin from NCC were reviewed by the Board.

**Driveway:** Bruce Joziatis has submitted a driveway application for his property on Loop Drive. This is an update to an existing non-permitted driveway. There were no plans submitted. The present drive will be viewed to ascertain if additional information is required prior to accepting the application.

**Excavation Regulations:** Draft Excavation Regulations were reviewed line by line by the Board with several changes suggested. The changes will be made and the updated version will be emailed to Board members for review. There will be a hearing to adopt these regulations at the July meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell  
Clerk