

TOWN OF RUMNEY
PLANNING BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
AUGUST 30, 2016

Present: Jerry Thibodeau, Mark Andrew, David Coursey, David Saad, Steve Weber, Brian Flynn, and Ken Weinig joining at 8:25 pm.

Clerk: Diana Kindell

Chairman Jerry Thibodeau opened the meeting at 7:03 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: The minutes of July 26, 2016 were approved as written.

The minutes of August 9, 2016 were approved as written (Mark abstained-not present).

Mark spoke about the decision on August 9th to change the date for the purchase of the backhoe – inquired as to the ability of this committee to do this. Jerry questioned if this committee takes the time to listen to the department heads, do we not have input into the final decision or are we just wasting our time? David S. stated that after all the information is presented, we should have the right to adjust the numbers and the dates. Mark stated the CIP is used by the Selectmen, and they do review all the information presented to them.

Discussion ensued regarding the meeting held with the Highway Department. At the end of that discussion it was decided that the Department Head would be invited back to review his CIP at the next meeting. The Board held further discussion later in the meeting. RSA 674.5 was reviewed at this time showing it gave the CIP committee the authority to prepare and amend the capital improvement projects. Another meeting will be scheduled with this department head.

CIP: Police: Chief Miller met with the Board to update his plan. Several “budget” items were removed from the CIP. A contingency fund or Capital Reserve Fund for equipment for this department will be recommended again this year as it was not acted on last year. Steve would like to see just one Capital Reserve Fund per department and questioned how can we broaden the existing funds to accomplish this. It will be looked into further by the Administrative Assistant as some of these funds were created years ago.

Scheduling for cruiser replacement and funds for each were discussed with no changes being made.

Cemetery: Kathy Sobetzer, Cemetery Trustee, met with the Board regarding changes to this plan. Several “budget” items were removed from the plan and much of what was on the existing plan had been completed this year. The wall repairs and fence/gate repairs remain on the CIP. The Board recommends a \$5,000 a year Capital Reserve Fund be maintained to cover these projects.

Selectmen’s update: Mark updated the Board on the following:

The Buffalo Road Bridge is 1/3 removed and the bridge could be open by October 6th

The Historical sign required by the state has been approved

The Hazardous Mitigation Plan update has been approved by FEMA

The Emergency Management Grant has been approved

The Board is reviewing town policies

The paving project is complete and waiting for parking lines

Handicap signs will be erected
Proposed budgets for 2017 are due to the Board by October 7th
Neil McIver is working on a culvert project and hydrant projects
They will be interviewing for a deputy town clerk/tax collector
They are reviewing the voting set up at the school and hoping to make it more user friendly

Tax Map #12-15-04: A certified letter to this property owner was returned “unclaimed/unable to forward”. The Clerk will check with the tax collector to ascertain if any additional information is available before we proceed in a different direction.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Clerk