

TOWN OF RUMNEY  
PLANNING BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES  
OCTOBER 11, 2016

Present: Jerry Thibodeau, Steve Weber, David Saad, Ken Weinig, Mark Andrew and Brian Flynn  
Clerk: Diana Kindell

Chairman Jerry Thibodeau opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CIP – Facilities Committee:** Ed Haskell met with the Board to review findings of the Facilities Committee for each of the town departments. He shared the following:

Highway Dept. – The highway garage has no needs and they are on a maintenance schedule

Town Office – The building needs enlarging and is on a maintenance schedule. The recent inspection by the Labor Dept. will show immediate needs for improvements which must be completed within 30 days.

Library – With the new addition complete, they are up to par. They are working on upgrading the basement area and do need to establish a maintenance schedule.

Historical Society – Roof bids are going out soon so the roof can be replaced this fall. In the spring they plan to paint the building prior to the 250<sup>th</sup> celebration. There are several basement windows that need replacing and that building needs to be put on a maintenance schedule.

Fire Station – The immediate need will be whatever the Labor Dept. lists in their report. They are on a maintenance schedule.

W. Rumney fire station – This building is used for storage only.

Bagley property abutting the W. Rumney station – two people have offered to demo the building if the town pays for the dumpsters. Hazardous material?? The roof shingles will go into the dumpster.

Transfer station – Upkeep is the only issue here and Sonny does stay on top of the needs on a regular basis. He also will have Labor Dept. issues to deal with.

Old Town Shed – another storage only building.

Jerry did question if Janice Mulherin had provided any information put together at their meetings and Ed said she had not. He has not been able to attend all the meetings.

**Highway:** Frank Simpson joined the Board again to further review the needs of the Highway Dept. Jerry explained that after he left an earlier meeting the Board voted to move the back hoe out to 2020 citing you can get a new one in a day as well as use others available in the area. Mark disagreed and said the Planning Board is recommendations only. A replacement “big” truck was added to 2030 for replacing the one purchased this year.

Frank stated the grader is good for a few years. It was questioned if leasing a grader would be a better way to go rather than buying one. As the town grades their roads several times a year and wings snow with it in the winter, it is better to own one than to lease.

The cat loader is fine for now as it does not get many hours.

**Bridges and culverts:** School St. has a large culvert that needs replacing. It will be replaced with a box culvert and hoping to get state aid for that project. The permits for this are being completed at this time and are good for five years.

Buffalo Road has a culvert near the Transfer Station that needs action first. There is also one on E. Rumney Road near the Bog Farm that needs a wing wall replaced. If that could be completed, the culvert would be fine.

**Capital Reserve Funds:** It was suggested we reduce the number of accounts and combine the usage of them. There are two accounts for the Transfer Station. The Police Dept. needs an account for equipment – can it be combined with the vehicle account? Mark felt the vehicles needed to be kept separate. He further stated that Charter Trust (who handles these accounts) would be lumping all funds into one account next year to increase the return on the monies. They also have all the original paperwork for these accounts and the Board requested copies of these.

**Minutes:** The minutes of August 30, 2016 were approved with changes.

**Budget:** Copies of the proposed budget for 2017 were provided to the members.

**Tax Map # 12-15-04:** Certified mail sent to the property owners of this lot was returned unclaimed. A new letter will be prepared and sent FedEx.

**Selectmen's report:** The town will be borrowing money in anticipation of taxes this year as the town has to pay for the bridge replacement and wait to receive both the Federal and State monies.

Neil McIver is working on the permit for the culvert replacement on School St. He will then prepare figures for a dry hydrant repair.

The Historical Society sign (part of bridge replacement) has been approved. This will replace the present bulletin board on the front of the Historical building.

Lila Williams is the new Deputy Town Clerk.

Voting – they are hoping to get residents to register to vote prior to voting day. A sign will be prepared to remind people of the dates to register.

Gazebo – the Board of Selectmen have approved the design for the gazebo to be built in the common. A price of \$18,000 was presented to the Board before any donations are considered. Two locations will be marked on the common and the town's people are invited to vote on their choice for this.

The agenda for the Selectmen's meetings is online Friday night through the beginning of the meeting on Monday evening.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell  
Clerk

