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Selectmen Present: Mark Andrew, Janice Mulherin, John Fucci

Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow

Secretary: Janet Sherburne

At 6:15 the Board met at 1066 Old Route 25 with Health Officer, Bill Taffe, to view the property in response to complaints made by residents about the condition of the property. After discussion, the board agreed to send a letter to the property owners asking them to clean it up.

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm at the Town Office Building.

The board acknowledged all of the extra hours and hard work that Anne has put in over the past few months due to the large number of abatements filed and all of the work involved in processing and reviewing them. The board thanked Anne for everything she has done.

MINUTES: The minutes of 6-25-07 were approved.

SELECTMEN'S ISSUES:

Mike Lonigro presented the board with a copy of an e-mail from a property owner at the lake. The e-mail was in reference to a telephone conversation the owner had with the assessor regarding appraisals that some property owners had gotten. The board assured Mr. Lonigro that the assessor and the board have reviewed all of the appraisals that have been submitted. It is the opinion of the assessor that the appraisals are vague. Mr. Lonigro suggested having CNP look at the appraisals, or at least a couple of them, for a second opinion. The board will consider doing this.

Highway – Frank Simpson, Road Agent, introduced Dan Tobine the new highway employee to the board. Frank updated the board on the **Buffalo Road Washout**. Repairs were started today and should be complete by tomorrow. Then they will begin working down the road.

Doetown Road Culvert – John Fucci asked Frank about the condition of a culvert near the Hall's on Doetown Road. The culvert was hit by the grader so it is higher now than it was. Frank will repair the culvert soon.

Beech Hill Road – There is a stone culvert on Beech Hill Road, a Class VI Road that Frank would like to replace with a 3' culvert. This would help protect East Rumney Road. This project needs board approval since it is a Class VI road and is not maintained by the town. There is money in the budget for this. The board will discuss this further.

Rumney Beautification Week/W.Rumney Fire Station – Painting at the W. Rumney Fire Station is progressing. There were volunteers from 3 years to 79 years at the station helping to paint.

At 8:00 the Trustees of the Trust Funds; Robin Bagley, Jim Turbyne and BettyJo Taffe and Rumney School Board Members; Cathy Sobetzer and Ed Gaiero met with the board to discuss an ongoing issue the

two groups have had regarding the Russell Sisters Trust Fund. The board of Selectmen's role in this discussion is to mediate a solution and/or agreement.

The School Board had requested money be released from the Russell Sister's Trust Fund and the Trustees have not released the money because they do not have the proper documentation. The Trustees would like signed documentation requesting the money and then they would like to receive copies of the purchase order when the purchase is made. The School Board members agreed that they could get a signed copy of the request letter of May 7, 2007 signed and the Trustees will fax a copy to Charter Trust to expedite the release of those funds. The School Board will then provide back-up documentation of the purchase.

The Trustees would also like to meet with the School Board during the budget process, before the public hearing, to discuss requests that will be made. The School Board agreed that this would be a good idea.

ADMINISTRATION:

NE Salem PILOT – The agreement has been reviewed by the board and has been sent to NE Salem for review. The board will wait for a response from NE Salem.

Lepage Appeal: The 2004 BTLA appeal has been granted to the Lepages.

Code Enforcement – Junkyards – The junkyard information needs to be reviewed by the board and a procedure needs to be put into place before the town can move forward with enforcement. Anne will pull together the information for the board to review.

Community Profile Groups – The board will send a letter to the groups/committees formed from the Community Profile asking for minutes of meeting and meeting dates.

Meeting Schedule: The board will not meet on July 16th but will meet on July 23rd and 30th.

Abatements – 4 abatements were reviewed.

Signed: Checks; Intent to Cut-Halewijn; Letters to Dorchester and Ellsworth

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Janet C. Sherburne