## TOWN OF RUMNEY www.rumneynh.org SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES 09/10/07

Selectmen Present: Mark Andrew, Janice Mulherin, John Fucci

Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow

Secretary: Janet Sherburne

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of 08-27-07 were approved.

## **SELECTMEN'S ISSUES:**

**Depot Street/Rats** – Diane and Larry Dunbar and Judy Latulippe met with the board to discuss an ongoing rat problem on Depot Street. Bill Taffe, Health Officer, was also present and reported that he had talked with residents of Depot Street on Saturday about this problem. He found that the largest numbers of rats were found at the Antalan/Grigas property where the barn is being renovated and the amount of rats seen in the area has grown since the renovation began. He visited several properties on Depot Street and could not determine the exact source of the rat problem. Residents present asked if there was anything the town could do to clean up yards on Depot Street. The board explained they are in the process of working on junkyard issues and ordinances. It was suggested that the neighbors could get together and contact a Rodent Control Company and get an estimate and/or advice on how to get rid of the rats.

**Fountain Committee** – John Bagley met with the board to update them on the Rumney Common Fountain Fund and to ask some questions. One concern of the committee is insurance on the fountain and Anne is looking into this. John will have an appraisal done on the fountain so it can be properly insured. Mowing and maintenance in the common was discussed and the board will try to be more specific in the spring when mow bids go out as to the area to be covered at the common and proper clean-up by the mowing company. Mr. Bagley also reported that the water junction box in back of the church that feeds the town common needs to be replaced this fall. He will coordinate with the highway crew and see if they can dig the hole.

**National Flood Insurance Program** – Jennifer Gilbert and Paul Hatch presented the board information on the National Flood Insurance Program and explained the benefits to Rumney residents if the town decided to participate. The board will review the material and Janice will also bring this up to the Planning Board for discussion.

**Darling/Blair Property Purchase** – The Conservation Committee has given \$10,000 toward the purchase of the property. The board discussed the need for long-range planning and possibly forming a committee with members appointed by the selectmen. This will be discussed further.

**Junkyard Procedures** – The board agreed to use April 1, 2008 as a deadline and will work on placing a notice in the paper.

**Town Office Building Study Committee** – The committee will meet on September 20 at 7:00 at the Town Office.

## **ADMINISTRATION:**

**BTLA Appeals** – The town has received notice of two appeals submitted by the Gleason's.

Warner Appraisal – An appraisal was received by the Warner's and the board will review it.

**Street Signs** – Approximately nine street signs were stolen over the weekend. The board discussed sending a letter to the PSU Campus Police asking them to keep an eye out for the signs and also discussed possible ways to secure the street signs making them harder to remove.

**DOT** – **Stinson Lake Road** – The board received a letter from the DOT regarding the Stinson Lake Road speed issue.

**East Rumney Road/NH Co-op Maintenance** – The NH Electric Coop wants to begin line maintenance/tree trimming on East Rumney Road on Wednesday. East Rumney Road is designated as a scenic road with restrictions as to cutting of trees. The RSA pertaining to scenic roads was reviewed by the board. Anne will try to contact the town attorney and Janice will bring this before the Planning Board on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Highway Position** – Frank Simpson, Road Agent, has a position to fill in the Highway Dept. and would like to have the boards' permission to go forward with the process. The board agreed to have Frank move forward.

**CNP** – CNP is ready to start data collection. They will start next Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> and will complete approximately 850 properties this year. A press release will be placed in the paper and the board agreed to send cards to property owners whose properties will be visited this year.

**Corner House Pizza** – The board reviewed a liquor license application for this business.

**Selectmen's Office Closed October 8-12** – The board agreed to close the office from October 8-12 for records maintenance and organization. A notice will be placed in the paper.

Signed: Checks;

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Janet C. Sherburne