

TOWN OF RUMNEY
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SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
11/03/08

Selectmen Present: Janice Mulherin, Mark Andrew, John Fucci
Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow
Secretary: Janet Sherburne

The meeting was opened at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES: The minutes of 10-27-08 were approved.

SELECTMEN'S ISSUES:

Fuel Price: The SAU Office provided more information on the "pool" that the town participates in. The board will send a letter to Fred Fuller explaining that the board intends to honor the agreement but would appreciate any consideration that could be given to lower the price.

Election: Jim Buttolph, Moderator, met with the board briefly to discuss election procedures for November 4th.

Library Budget: Tom Wallace, Library Trustee, met with the board to review the proposed 2009 budget for the Library. Fuel costs were reviewed and discussed and line items were reviewed.

Health Officer: Bill Taffe, Health Officer, met with the board to review the proposed 2009 budget.

EMS Budget: Bill Taffe, EMS Director, met with the board to review the proposed 2009 EMS budget. Line items were reviewed. The money allocated for protective clothing for 2008 has not been spent as of this date. Bill explained that they are waiting for a decision on a grant that was applied for before the clothing is purchased. Anne will check with the DRA to see if this money can be held over since it is a grant item. It was suggested that if the money cannot be held over, perhaps the request for protective clothing should be a separate warrant article. Capital purchases and projects were also discussed.

Police Department Budget: Bill Main, Chief of Police, met with the board to review the proposed 2009 police department budget. The Animal Control budget was also reviewed. Capital purchases were also reviewed. The Chief also reviewed the statistics produced from the radar trailer that was placed in different spots in town recently.

Poll Tax: The board discussed re-instituting the poll tax in town and whether it would be of any benefit. Mark Andrew felt that it might be a way to check on residency. After discussion the board agreed that the benefit to the town would not be worth the extra time and money it would cost to keep track of the poll tax.

ADMINISTRATION:

Sand Hill Bridge: Anne checked with Ed Bergeron and received an updated quote for repair to the bridge. There would be a 10% increase in the original quote. The board signed a document (application for preliminary estimate) to be sent to the state, which would put the Sand Hill Bridge on the list of bridges in the state that are in need of repair.

Rattlesnake Mountain Fire: The reimbursement to the town will be approximately \$8,000 and the town may not receive reimbursement until 2009.

Emergency East Rumney Road Culvert: An application was submitted last week for a culvert on East Rumney Road that needs immediate repair. The State returned the application with some questions.

Hulse Septic Plans: Septic plans for Harold Hulse (12-11-21) were reviewed and approved by the board.

W. Rumney Fire Station: A quote for a garage door opener from Tombs was reviewed. The board will request one more bid before making a decision.

To Sign: Checks; 2008 Fall Tax Warrant; Tax Rate Acceptance Form; Abatement-Town of Rumney; Intent to Cut – P. Sidman

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet C. Sherburne