

TOWN OF RUMNEY
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SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
11/10/08

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 11-03-08 were approved.

SELECTMEN'S ISSUES:

EMS BUDGET: The board received an update from Director, Bill Taffe that he should receive a decision on the grant by December 31, 2008. If the grant is approved, the squad will have 1 year to purchase the protective clothing. If the grant is not funded and there is time left, the clothing will be purchased out of the 2008 budget.

WINTER SAND: The board would like residents to be reminded that sand is available in small amounts (bucket size) to Rumney property owners during the winter months.

JUNKYARD UPDATE: John Fucci feels there are still a lot of properties out there with a lot of junk on them. He would like to see this matter followed up in a cost effective way. The board discussed the ongoing process being conducted by MRI. After discussion, the board agreed to follow through with the plan established by MRI.

HIGHWAY BUDGET: Frank Simpson, Road Agent, met with the board to review the proposed 2009 highway department budget. Frank presented the cost for placement of guard rails along three areas on Buffalo Road. The cost to place guard rails in all three places would be approximately \$10,800. The board will discuss this further. The board and Road Agent also discussed repair to the Sand Hill Bridge and whether more money should be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for bridges this year.

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR: Linda Whitcomb met with the board to review the proposed 2009 budget. Linda noted that municipal agent fees have increased by .50 cents.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: Fire Chief, Ken Ward and Commissioners Dave Coursey and Jim McCart met with the board to review the proposed 2009 Fire Department budget. The Forest Fire Warden budget was also reviewed. Other items discussed were upcoming repairs that Engine 3 will need in the future and amounts needed in the capital reserve accounts for future purchases. The amounts may need to be increased in order to have enough money when a new truck is needed. There was also discussion about creating a capital reserve account for equipment. There is a possibility that in about 9 years the air tanks will need to be replaced and today's price to replace them would be \$1,000 a piece.

Fire Department Building Maintenance was reviewed. There is still work that needs to be done in 2008. The overhangs need to be repaired. Updated quotes were requested but have not been received. Jim McCart has offered to do the work for less than the original quotes received. A motion was made and seconded to allow Jim McCart to repair the overhangs, not to exceed \$3,000. The board voted unanimously to allow Jim McCart to do the work.

It was noted that the chimney has been repaired and an updated quote has not been received yet from Quality Insulation.

At 10:00 the board voted unanimously to enter into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II (c). Discussion followed. At 10:15pm the board voted unanimously to leave Non-Public Session. No decisions were made. A motion was made and seconded to seal the minutes of the non-public session as divulgence of information contained in those minutes would likely affect the reputation of a person who is not a member of the board. The board voted unanimously to seal the minutes for 1 year.

ADMINISTRATION:

HEATING FUEL COSTS: Mark Halloran, Superintendent of SAU 48, spoke with Anne and explained that he has been in contact with Fred Fuller and Fred Fuller has made an offer of \$3.19/gallon through April (the current price is 4.29/gallon. However, we will lose the ceiling price if the price of oil goes up and we could pay more than 4.29/gallon. The price is not locked in. The SAU will make the final decision of whether to go with the offer but they asked for the boards input. The board agreed to support accepting the offer of \$3.19/gallon from Fred Fuller.

East Rumney Road Culvert Repair: The DES approved the emergency culvert repair on East Rumney Road. The work will be done next week.

To Sign: Checks;

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet C. Sherburne