

TOWN OF RUMNEY
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SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
3/22/2010

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

The Meeting opened at 7:00pm.

Minutes: The minutes of 3-8-2010 were approved.

Reorganization of Board: The board voted to keep the same Department Liaisons as last year. The appointment of a Chairman will be discussed at the next meeting.-

NH Electric Coop Abatement Conference Call: Mark Andrew updated the board on the call. George Sansoucy has advised the board not to settle at this time and has asked that the board let him negotiate. Mr. Sansoucy has notified the BTLA that a settlement has not been reached.

Conservation Commission Appointments: The board nominated and voted unanimously to appoint David Coursey, Maggie Brox and Joel Grass to the Conservation Commission.

2010 Goals: The board discussed goals for the coming year. The board will work with Anne on the Capital Improvement Plan, Policies and the Flood Insurance Program.

Administrative:

Hunter Culvert: The State is requiring more information. Bruce Barnard has filed for an extension. Janice will contact the DES and speak with someone about this on-going issue.

Draft Master Plan: The Planning Board would like the board to review the draft and make any suggestions next week.

CNP Pick-Ups: CNP (assessing company) currently has 106 pick-ups on their list but all of the inventories have not been turned in and there may be some duplicates. The board agreed that CNP should wait until after April 15, 2010, when the inventories are due, to begin working on pick-ups to avoid duplication.

North Country Council Scenic Byways Project: The NCC would like a representative from the town to work on this project. The board will refer this to the Conservation Commission and the Planning Board for input.

Baker Athletic Field: The Ashland Softball League has asked to use the field on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The board approved this request. The board also agreed that the proposal submitted for the sign could proceed.

National Grid: The town received notification that National Grid will be using herbicide on the power line. A copy of this notification will be given to the Planning Board.

Ed Cherian/Department Heads: At 7:30pm the board met with Ed Cherian and Department Heads to discuss the proposed **Groton Wind Farm Project**. Approximately 50-60 members of the public were also present for the discussion. Mark Andrew explained that this was not a public hearing but there would be a brief period for questions from the public. Mr. Cherian gave a summary of the proposed project. He suggested that anyone interested in more information could visit the Town of Groton's website at www.Town-of-Groton.com. Department Heads then asked questions pertaining to their department. Some of the concerns were: damage to Groton Hollow Road, costs to the town and safety. Mr. Cherian explained that if any damage was done to the

town road it would be repaired or the repairs would be paid for by the company; there will be no costs to the Town of Rumney for this project; the company is willing to build a helicopter landing site for emergency purposes and emergency personnel will be given the opportunity to visit the site and familiarize themselves with the area and what is available. Another concern was the increased traffic on Groton Hollow Road. Mr. Cherian explained that the company is looking into the possibility of carpooling and transporting workers to the site from another location. A question and answer period followed with the public in attendance. All of those in attendance agreed that a public meeting should be set up and asked about the possibility of touring an existing wind farm. Mr. Cherian is willing to set up a public meeting and will work on a tour. The meeting date and time will be posted as soon as it is set up.

Signed: Checks; Sansoucy Utility Update; Intents to Cut – Berti, Cersosimo, B. Young

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet C. Sherburne, Secretary