

TOWN OF RUMNEY
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
11/22/2010
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Selectmen Present: Janice Mulherin, John Fucci, Mark Andrew
Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow
Public Present: Cheryl Lewis

The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes: The minutes of 11/15/2010 were accepted as written.

Administrative

Mercury Lights – Anne acknowledged Mark's note regarding the disposal of mercury lamps – if we are paying to dispose of them, save the invoices and submit them on household hazardous waste day for reimbursement. Anne will pass this on to Sonny.

Christmas Lights/Common – Kathy Wallace and Tom and Kelly Ambrose have volunteered to take care of the Christmas lights this year. More information will be forthcoming.

Johnson Driveway – Although there has been some work on the driveway, Frank still has concerns on the driveway and the negative impact it will have on the town road. A letter will be sent to the owners notifying them that additional work still needs to be done.

2 Quincy Road Follow-up – Anne has forwarded the information given to the Board by the Planning Board to MRI for their review.

Advisory Committee – John Fucci asked if the Advisory Committee would be attending these budget meetings with department heads. Anne said she had contacted John Bagley and Mike Lonigro a few weeks ago to notify them the Board would be meeting with department heads over the next month to review their budgets. The Advisory Committee will not be attending the weekly meetings but will meet with the Board at a later date to discuss the budgets. Anne will provide each committee member with a copy of the proposed budget when completed.

Appointments:

7:15 Jay Hutchinson, representative from New Hampshire Electric Coop met with the Board at their request to update them on the status of the route for the distribution lines for the proposed Groton Wind project. Mr. Hutchinson said following a meeting they had with Ed Cherian last week, he was very encouraged with the plans. Groton Wind has obtained a right-of-way to Route 25 over private property close by the Quonset Hut. Groton Hollow Road will not be used for the lines as originally proposed. The location of the substation where the lines will tie into has not been determined yet, several possibilities are being considered.

7:35 Privilege of the Floor – none

7:45 Chief Ward and Fire Commissioners Dave Coursey, Jim McCart and Terry French met with the Board do go over their proposed 2011 Fire Department budget. Items of discussion were:

1. Code Enforcement – The Board had some questions regarding Code Enforcement, fees and procedures. There was some discussion about whether or not the fees should be turned in to the town as fees from other departments are. A decision will be made at a later date following feedback from the LGC. Dave Coursey reported that there are a lot of changes that have been made to the safety codes that affect homeowners. He will meet with Anne so they can compile a list of important requirements that homeowners should be aware of. This will be put on the website for awareness for the public.
2. Jaws of Life – With the change in ambulance service, the fire chief and commissioners have recommended the purchase of a set for the town. It was decided that a separate warrant article will be included in the warrant to address this need.
3. Hydrants – Discussion on what needs to be done with these. The Selectmen reminded the chief and commissioners that before any money is spent on the hydrants, the Board has requested that they come up with a prioritized plan. Anne is available to help with the plan.

8:45 Bill Taffe went over his budgets for **EMS, Emergency Management and Health Officer.**
Emergency Management

1. following some discussion and Bill's request, the Board voted 3-0 to officially adopt the NIMS (National Inc. Management System) resolution. ICS training will be addressed in 2011.
2. other items discussed: generator and wireless service for EOC/Police/Town Offices.

EMS

1. approximately 190-200+ calls this year, up from last year
2. year for stipend will run December 1 – November 30
3. new line item for detail will be added/separate from stipend – EMS Detail (reimbursed to town by organization, etc.)

Selectmen's Issues:

Groton Wind – E-mail from Jim Buttolph in response to the Board's statement to SEC regarding testimony from Plymouth's fire chief. Mr. Buttolph has requested the Board's answers to his questions be in writing. The Board drafted their answers; they will review next week.

John Fucci announced that he will not run for another term as selectman. Anyone interested in running will need to sign up in January to be placed on the ballot. Mark and Janice thanked John for all the time he has devoted to the position over the last four years.

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Upcoming:

11/29 Selectmen's Meeting
11/30 Planning Board
12/06 Selectmen's Meeting

Signed: Checks; Veteran's Credit – R. Carden; Intent to Cut – P. Barker

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne B. Dow
Administrative Assistant