

TOWN OF RUMNEY
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SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
08/08/2011

Selectmen present: Cheryl Lewis, Janice Mulherin, Mark Andrew
Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow

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

MINUTES: The minutes of 08/01/2011 were accepted as amended.

SELECTMEN'S ISSUES

Groton Wind

Letter of Credit – The Board discussed Groton Wind's response to the Board's and Town Counsel's comments on the LOC. Groton Wind stated that because the bank issuing the LOC is a New York branch the governing law will be that of New York rather than New Hampshire. The Board agreed not to accept the security unless it is to be construed and governed by NH law. Anne will pass this request on to Groton Wind.

Letter from GW/Establish a Committee – The Board received a letter from Groton Wind proposing the establishment of a committee in regards to the NH SEC's Order and Certificate of Site and Facility with Conditions, dated May 6, 2011. One of those conditions was that the Applicant shall develop a plan with the Town, and in conjunction with the residents of Groton Hollow Road, which addresses:

1. adequate notification to residents of the dates and times of when vehicular traffic will be blocked on Groton Hollow Road due to the movement of oversized loads
2. alternative transportation for those residents during the times when the road will be blocked to normal traffic and
3. plan for addressing emergencies that may occur on Groton Hollow Road during these times

Groton Wind's letter proposed a representative committee comprised of members from:

- Groton Wind (and general/civil contractor and/or transport contractors)
- Five residents of Groton Hollow Road (chosen by location)
- Businesses that rely primarily on Groton Hollow Road
- Road Agent
- EMS/Fire Department designee
- Police Department designee
- Selectmen representative

Discussion followed. Before any decisions are made regarding the committee, the Board will invite the residents from Groton Hollow Road to their meeting on August 29th, along with the road agent and representatives from the town's emergency services, to gather their input and select the committee members. Anne will draft an invitation letter for the Board's review next week.

Facilities' Committee - Janice reported on their visit to the library on August 4th; the committee will meet again on August 18th at the highway shed.

Keniston Permit – Due to time constraints and scheduling there will not be a pre-application meeting with DES. Frank and Anne will complete the application and submit it with the information they have at this time.

Septic Approval – The Board reviewed and approved septic plans for a new home on tax map# 16-06-28.

Department Head Evaluations – Before the Board completes their evaluations, they will meet individually with each DH to go over the evaluation form and job description with them

Police Report – The Board reviewed the July police report; 97 calls were logged for the month.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – None

ADMINISTRATIVE

Correspondence Received

1. Letter from DOT/Bank Stabilization on Route 25 – The State will monitor the section by Polar Caves but at this point it is still scheduled for repairs in 2013.
2. Inquiry about the scholarship committee/home schooling concerns noted in minutes of May 23, 2011. Anne will send a response.
3. Letter from the Rumney Conservation Commission regarding financial assistance to keep the rest area open. They do not feel the conservation fund is an appropriate source of monies for this. Having received this input, the Board signed a letter officially notifying the State that the town will not be taking over the maintenance of the rest area.
4. Northern Pass information
5. FEMA – notification that they have accepted the town's Hazard Mitigation Pla
6. Baker River Watershed E Coli Test Report – no problems reported
7. Request to waive inventory penalty due to extenuating circumstances – Board agreed to waive financial penalty but not loss of right to appeal abatement denial

Signed: Checks; Letter – Latulippe; State of NH/Knowlton – Rest Area; Septic Approval 16-06-28

Upcoming 8/13 Old Home Day
8/15 Selectmen's Meeting
8/16 Planning Board Meeting – Master Plan
8/22 No Selectmen's Meeting
8/29 Selectmen's Meeting beginning @ 6:30; meeting with GH Road residents at 7:00

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne B. Dow
Administrative Assistant