

TOWN OF RUMNEY
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SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
09/19/2011

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 8/29/11 were accepted as amended; the minutes of 9/7/11 were accepted as written; the minutes of 9/12/11 were accepted as amended; the minutes/transcript from the meeting with Groton Hollow Road will be reviewed at a later time.

SELECTMEN'S ISSUES

Groton Wind

1. Although the Selectmen and Planning Board had requested an extension until September 20, 2011 from the Army Corp for further input from the Town and interested parties regarding this issue, the Board received notification (copy of letter from US ACE to Groton Wind, LLC) on September 16, 2011 from the US Army Corps of Engineers of Confirmation of authorization by the NH SPGP for Groton Wind, LLC with Special Conditions Regarding Section 106 MOA and In Lieu Fee Payment. The notification stated that they determined the Groton Wind project will have minimal individual or cumulative environmental impacts and therefore the work is authorized under the Federal permit known as the New Hampshire Programmatic General Permit (PGP). Document on file at the town office.

Under the Memorandum of Agreement between US ACE, the NH State Historic Preservation Officer and Groton Wind, LLC it stipulates under MITIGATION, that Groton Wind, LLC shall contribute \$100,000 to LCHIP. The monies shall be expended by LCHIP...for the purpose of preserving agricultural land and/or historic buildings in the vicinity of the Rumney Village Historic District. Up to \$10,000 may be kept by LCHIP for administrative expenses.....

The Board discussed this part of the agreement in length. The Board has lots of questions about the procedure followed and what exactly this arrangement with LCHIP means. They will look into this more and discuss it further next week.

2. Groton Hollow Road Committee – Anne notified Ed Cherian of several possible dates in October for a meeting; the Board is waiting to hear back from Mr. Cherian on a date. The Board wants the meetings wrapped up by Thanksgiving.

APPOINTMENTS

7:25 Frank Simpson met with the Board to discuss several issues.

1. Repairs and improvements on Groton Hollow Road are moving forward; most minor repairs on miscellaneous roads have been completed. Frank will be meeting with a FEMA representative within the next week or so; following that visit the Town will know what FEMA's contribution to the repairs will be.
2. The replacement of the culvert over Collins Brook was discussed. The Board approved the purchase of a larger culvert, estimated price of \$7,500. Frank recommended letters be sent

- to the landowners to notify them of the work that will be done there. The possibility of guard rails was also discussed; no decisions made at this time.
3. Repairs to the bridge in the village (near Morabito's) were discussed.
 4. Frank and the Board reviewed the current Road Agent's job description; some changes were made. A final copy will be drawn up and distributed to the Board and Frank.

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Rest Area Meeting – scheduled for Thursday, September 22 at 7:00.
2. Training – Anne will be in Concord at the LGC for a class.
3. Transfer Station – The Board voted to go into non-public session at 8:10 p.m. under RSA 91-A:3 I. (c). The Board voted to seal the minutes 3-0; the Board voted to leave non-public session at 8:24 p.m. The Board will advertise for a part-time employee.

SIGNED: Checks

UPCOMING: 9/22 Rest Area Meeting/Town Office 7:00
9/24 Household Hazardous Waste Day – Plymouth Transfer Station 9:00-12:00
9/26 Selectmen's Meeting
9/27 Planning Board Meeting
9/29 Facilities' Committee Meeting – Fire Stations 6:00
10/3 Selectmen's Meeting
10/10 No Selectmen's Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne B. Dow
Administrative Assistant