

TOWN OF RUMNEY
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SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
08/20/12

Selectmen: Mark Andrew, Cheryl Lewis, Ed Haskell
Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow

The meeting was opened by Chairman Mark Andrew at 7:10 p.m.

MINUTES – The minutes of 07/30/12 and 08/06/12 were accepted as written.

SELECTMEN'S ISSUES

1. Septic Plan – The Board had a request for an expedited approval of a plan for a septic system due to the failure of the current system on Tax Map # 04-01-18. The plan was reviewed and signed by Selectperson Lewis on August 8, 2012.
2. Heal Property – purchase and process – Ed Haskell recused himself from discussion on this matter. The Board received information from Attorney Waugh on the process/timeline to petition the Superior Court for a special town meeting to request an appropriation for the purchase of the building. Because of conflicts with dates due to the elections in September and November, State and Federal holidays, and scheduled time off for employees, the Board is looking at a date in January or February. Because of the above, the Board will ask if the sellers would be willing to wait until the March town meeting when the appropriation for the purchase can be included in the 2013 Town Warrant. Anne will draw up the letter for the Board's review and signatures by Wednesday. Funding for the purchase was discussed again; the Board suggested taking \$100,000 from the Town Facilities Fund and instead of paving any roads in 2013, putting the funds typically raised for paving, (est. \$85,000) towards the purchase.
3. Police Detail Rates – Cheryl asked about the different rates for details; Anne will ask for clarification.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – Carl Spring raised a concern about the right of way from Route 25 onto Groton Hollow Road. He thinks Groton Wind has violated the right of way and has encroached onto private property (French and Sanborn). He asked what Groton Wind was going to do for the property owners stating that this was not an Eminent Domain project. The Board said they would send a letter to Groton Wind addressing his concerns.

Carl also discussed the blasting that had occurred at Latulippe's gravel pit, NH Central Aggregates. He suggested the Selectmen and the Planning Board take a look at Doug Sanborn's property to get a real feel for the damage that has occurred. The Selectmen agreed to contact the Sanborns and ask if they could view the damage prior to their regular Monday meeting next week. Anne will check with the Sanborns and post the earlier meeting time of 6:30, with the regular business meeting to follow.

Mark reported on the August 14th Planning Board meeting, part of which was a continuation of the hearing on the Latulippe pit. Mr. Latulippe has stated that there will be no more blasting until these current issues are resolved. Mark said there are contradictions from RSA's, current regula

. Carl said he had heard Mr. Latulippe's attorney was going to rewrite the Town's excavation regulations. Mark said he offered to provide the town with some information but was not going to be rewriting the town's regulations. Various other excavation issues were discussed – using MRI for assistance, grandfathered issues, blasting vs. excavation. The Planning Board will be looking into all of the above.

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. NHEC – There has been a request from the NHEC's attorney to include the 2011 appeal in with the 2010 appeal that is currently going on. The Town's attorney, Christopher Bolt, recommended the town do this to save both money and time. The Board authorized the addition of the 2011 appeal with the ongoing 2010 appeal.
2. Brian Paquette/Common Café & Antiques – The Board had a request from Mr. Paquette for a letter stating that the Town did not have any objections to him having a liquor license at his café. The Board has a few questions for Mr. Paquette. Anne will invite him to attend the meeting next week.
3. Fred Fuller's price for #2 heating oil, good through April of 2013, will be \$3.349 per gallon, an increase of \$.104 over last year's price of \$3.245. The town is included in the SAU #48 pool.

Mark would like to see programmable thermostats installed in the town office before heating season. He said he would look into them.

4. Groton Wind – Letter of Credit – The Board received a letter from Santander, who issued the 2011 Letter of Credit for Groton Wind, requesting that the letter be returned to them by September 20, 2012 as the bank has reorganized and will reissue the LOC through its subsidiary, Sovereign Bank. The Board had asked for a draft of 2012 letter to be issued, but only received a copy of what was drafted last year. Before the Board releases the 2011 LOC they will request to have the updated 2012 Letter of Credit.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR – Carl Spring said regarding Mr. Paquette's request for a liquor license, he reminded the Board that the Planning Board still has unresolved issues with Mr. Paquette regarding parking, fire department code issues, status of building (apartments vs. boarding house). The Board said if they meet with him next week, they will ask him.

SIGNED Checks; Septic Plan 04-01-18 (8/8/12); Intent to Cut – Sanborn, Heirs of; Intent to Excavate – Sanborn; responses to Plymouth PD and Baker River Music Festival granting permission to use the ball field for parking;

UPCOMING 08/27 Meeting with candidates – Bob Lamb, Martha Richards, Lester Bradley, Charles Sova
08/28 Planning Board
09/03 Labor Day – Town Offices closed – No meeting
09/10 Selectmen's Meeting – Residents' Forum
09/11 State Primary – Russell School 8:00 to 7:00

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne B. Dow
Administrative Assistant