

TOWN OF RUMNEY

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SELECTMEN'S MEETING

12/20/12 MINUTES

Present: Mark Andrew, Cheryl Lewis and Ed Haskell

Chairman Mark Andrew opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Mark Andrew made a motion to accept the 12/10/12 minutes with modifications. Ed Haskell seconded.

Anne Dow had forwarded information regarding a discussion she had with Ray Valentin, Emergency Management Director. Unfortunately, due to the manner in which DRA handled the generator warrant article, these funds will not be able to be encumbered. A new warrant article will be prepared for \$28,000 for the generator again this year.

Fairpoint appeal – Sansoucy recommends Chris Boldt to represent the Town, Bernie Waugh's office has also called to offer their services. Estimates will be requested from both firms, and then a decision will be made.

Tom Duffield has submitted the annual report to DES with the ongoing closure of the landfill.

2012 has 53 pay periods, while the final week was not included in the 2012 budget, but the Board feels it should be included in the year it was incurred.

The NH ratio study has been completed and was signed.

Chief Main submitted previously requested information related to the Prosecutor's office.

The Tax Collector report was reviewed, with collection percentages similar to last year.

Privilege of the Floor

1. The Flag has not been raised and lowered daily since Labor Day.
2. Residents have discussed with others their concern of noise issues with the turbines.

Septic plans were reviewed for Finney, Map 16-6-17. Contours have not been included on the map, and the owner applicant will be notified.

Mark Andrew made a motion to encumber \$70,657 as per list. Ed Haskell seconded.

Board briefly discussed the possibility of a policy for Personal use of Town Vehicles. Previously, a resident had questioned if there is a policy in place and if there is a potential insurance risk. More information is still needed before any further discussion.

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Cheryl Lewis reported on the meeting with Northway Bank, Anne Dow and Roger Daniels. Northway is currently offering municipalities similar bond rates to the Bond Bank, and offers a bit more flexibility. Amortization schedules were requested for a few different scenerios.

Briefly reviewed budget. Petition warrant articles must be submitted to the Selectmen's office no later than February 5, 2013. The Budget Hearing will be held on Monday, February 11th at 7:00 pm at the Russell School.

Privilege of the floor

A member of the advisory committee reported that residents in his area that he has spoken to cannot afford wage increases for town employees. Many of these residents are on fixed incomes and are struggling financially.

At 8:15 Mark Andrew made a motion to go into Non-Public Session under RSA 91-A:3 II (a)to discuss personnel matters, seconded by Ed Haskell.

At 9:10 Mark Andrew made a motion to seal the minutes and Ed Haskell seconded. Mark then made a motion to come out of Non Public Session, seconded by Ed Haskell.

Discussed the Fire and EMS contracts for Town of Groton. Board will ask Annie for more information and will discuss again at a later date.

Discussed possibility of reactivating the Facilities Committee to look into future needs of Town Buildings.

At 9:20 Mark Andrew made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ed Haskell seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl L. Lewis