

TOWN OF RUMNEY
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SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
February 4, 2013

Selectmen: Mark Andrew, Cheryl Lewis, Ed Haskell
Clerk: Diana Kindell
Public Present: Dan Kimble, Jerry Thibodeau

Chairman Mark Andrew opened the meeting at 6:55 pm

SEC Groton Wind Farm: (Cheryl Lewis recused herself for this item) David Coursey spoke to the Board regarding a phone call he received from Mike Iccapino, Atty, for SEC, regarding emergency access to the wind farm. He questioned training they had received and just how they could access especially if mutual aid was required. Dave reviewed with him what they could do at this time and stated the emergency responders had one training only, which was held during the early stages of construction. Atty. Iccapino requested the town be represented at the February 19, 2013 hearing. David can attend if needed. (Cheryl rejoined the Board)

Mark asked Dave how he was doing with quotes for changing the locks on the doors at the Fire Dept. David has two (2) written quotes and is working on getting a third with prices to date ranging from \$500 to \$2500.

The minutes of the January 28, 2013 meeting were approved with one correction.

Resident's forum: No residents had any comments. Chief Main took this opportunity to present an activity report for January and warn of many scams, including internet fraud, which have been reported in this area. There is traffic control in the school district during dismissal time in the afternoon. He feels his budget covered 53% of hours during January with minimal overlap of on duty officers. Chief Main read a letter he had received commending him for his ability both as an officer and EMT. Mark A. questioned condition of the cruisers and the Chief responded the new transmission is performing fine and a new battery had been required for the SUV.

Groton Response to Fire/EMS coverage: Correspondence received from the Town of Groton regarding increases in minimum hours charged per incident and the formula to arrive at fees was reviewed. Groton disagrees with the increases. Ed Haskell stated he had met with the Fire Commissioners and suggested the increase in minimum hours due to the clean up time upon return to the station. Cheryl stated the contract must be in the Town of Rumney's favor. Ed felt the formula did not include expenses, but Mark A.

stated the formula does take expenses into consideration. The Town works on the prior year expenses and is always a year behind. Mark suggested this be acted on next week after the Administrative Assistant has time to review the new formulas.

SEC Hearing: (Cheryl Lewis recused herself for this item) The hearing notice for the reopening of the records on Groton Wind Farm was reviewed. The town does need to be represented at this hearing and it was decided Ed Haskell would represent the town. A letter was mailed last week regarding the town's support for the interveners' request. A copy of this should be marked as "copy" and emailed to Ms. Murray. After the budget hearing next Monday, the SEC hearing should be discussed, necessary information obtained and request Ann to accompany Ed. (Cheryl L. rejoined the Board)

Holden Engineering: Peter Holden came before the Board to discuss a bridge on Buffalo Road that has been placed on the "red list" by the State of NH. Frank Simpson joined this discussion. The bridge is a metal arch bridge with the metal pieces bolted together. The bolts are breaking off one side and the roof section is sagging. This is not a fixable situation. Holden Engineering is interested in doing the design work, permitting, bid package, inspections and overseeing the entire project to replace the bridge. A packet of information was presented with four workable options and pricing for each. Replacement with another metal unit has a 30-40 year life span, while replacement with a concrete unit would have a 75 year life span. All options were reviewed and Frank felt the pricing of option #4 was his choice for pricing and durability. The road would be closed for a 2-3 month time during the construction of this option. Holden Eng. has a list of reliable contractors available for review. No decision was made on this issue.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Signed: Checks

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Clerk