

TOWN OF RUMNEY
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
JUNE 16, 20114

Selectmen: Ed Haskell, Dan Kimble, Cheryl Lewis
Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow
Clerk: Diana Kindell

Chairman Ed Haskell opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

William Savoie appeared before the Board to follow up on an Intent to Cut he had sent to the office. It appeared to be a copy, but Mr. Savoie insisted it was an original. DRA requires an original copy of this paperwork. This is a multi-family owned property and Anne will confirm with DRA if all signatures are required as provided last year by Mr. Savoie. The Selectmen did sign this form and a copy was provided to the property owner. (Cheryl Lewis recused herself from this discussion).

USFS Tom Giles spoke to the Board regarding a property on Buffalo Road in Rumney (Tax Map #12-1-01) the Forestry Service is preparing paperwork to purchase. They would like the Town's support. The parcel they are trying to acquire abuts White Mountain National Forest and would offer a connection to the climbing paths presently in place. An additional parking lot would be created to ease parking from the two existing lots as well as provide better access to the cliffs. They would also relocate the trail head to Rattlesnake on to this property.

Cheryl expressed concerns with the Forestry Service working with the town. The driveway to the existing annex parking lot was never completed as requested by our Highway Department. Tom suggested a letter of concerns be sent to the office. They do try and comply. The pilot program (in lieu of taxes) was discussed and Tom stated the additional acreage would be figured in to the equation.

This project is just in the beginning stages of applying for funding (water-conservation funds) from the Federal Government. The objection period closes on June 28th and a letter is necessary only if there are significant objections.

An update on the ongoing project of "walkways" connecting the two existing parking lots was presented. If monies are available in the fall the walkway from lot 1 to lot 2 will be constructed. It requires rock removal to keep it back off the roadway. They also plan to install a permanent toilet in the small lot and remove the porta-potties in existence there.

Anne will email the Blasting Regulations to Tom and he will provide an address to her for any letters of objection this may require.

Transfer Station: Sonny Ouellette reviewed the applications for the job opening at the Transfer Station. He will contact one of the applicants for further discussion and a possible probationary period of employment.

Highway Dept: Frank Simpson discussed the bid process and different options for completing the project on Buffalo Road. Considerable road "rebuilding" is necessary prior to paving. Bid requests will be going out this week with a June 30, 2014 date to be received and reviewed.

Frank will meet with Kathy Sobetzer, Cemetery Trustee and remove the mowers and trimmers from the tomb at Highland North Cemetery. He will check them and keep any that are in working condition.

Administration:

Common Maintenance: Frank checked the electrical boxes on the Common and found a couple in need of repair. An electrician will be needed for those repairs.

Abatements: Abatements were signed for the Utility Companies, Diggs and NH Housing Authority.

Request to Use the Common: A request to use the Common for a town wide yard sale was received from the Got Lunch Rumney Committee. This was approved by the Board and will take place either July 12th or 19th.

Barn Preservation Easement: A hearing will be held on the Trought request for a Barn Preservation Easement on July 30th at 7:00 pm provided all the required paperwork is completed.

DES Notice of Non-Compliance: The ground monitoring at the Transfer Station is being questioned by DES. Anne has asked for assistance from Larry Cushman to draft a letter to DES to try and get this discontinued. Contact will be made with either a Representative or Executive Council member to assist with relieving the town of this monitoring.

LUCT: Land use change taxes will be levied against the following – Bartlett, Saggese, Moritz and Bolles.

DRA Form PA-28 (Inventory forms): The form was signed to continue using the Inventory form for property updates and improvements.

SAU: The school district has received their scheduled payment.

Jeannie Forester has requested a meeting with the Board. She will be invited to the June 30th meeting at 7:30 pm.

Rumney Rocks Bistro: A letter to the Liquor Commission was requested by the owners of the restaurant to support serving liquor on the patio. That has been done. However, the owners will be asked to come to a meeting and introduce themselves as prior business owners have done.

Selectmen:

Minutes: The minutes of the June 2, 2014 meeting were approved with one change.

Highland Cemetery: The business that was awarded the bid for mowing both Highland North and Highland South have found they are unable to keep up with the care. Oikle will be contacted to take over the care of both sections as he was the next lowest bidder.

Perambulation: On June 3rd Dan K. attended an informational meeting in Groton discussing the perambulation of the town boundary lines. Two surveyors were present and explained the process – first the original documents must be located to determine the line. This would be done in the winter when outside work cannot be done. Secondly, they need to walk the line and determine where the markers are. And last they must finalize the details and findings. This line is long and not easily accessible. They expect the cost would exceed what has been allotted by the towns.

FD/EMS Meeting: Cheryl made a motion to enter non-public session per RSA 91-A:3,II(c), seconded by Dan and agreed by all at 9:00 pm. Dan made a motion to seal the minutes, seconded by Ed and agreed by all. At 9:25 pm Ed made a motion to leave non-public session, Dan seconded and all agreed.

Signed: Checks; Abatements – Ballou, Egbert, Beau Reve, NH Housing Authority, Diggs, NH Electric Coop, Fairpoint, Groton Wind, Public Service; LUCT – Bartlett, Bolles, Moritz, Saggese; DRA Form PA-28; Letter – Savoie and Intent to Cut, Liquor Commission (Rumney Rocks Bistro); Intent to Excavate – G. Sanborn.

Upcoming: 6/17 Selectmen’s Meeting with Chief Coursey & Bill Taffe
6/23 No Meeting
6/24 Planning Board Meeting
6/30 Selectmen’s Meeting – Public Hearing on Barn Eastment
7/04 Office Closed
7/07 Meeting ??
7/10-11 NHEC Mediation – Concord
7/14 Meeting ??

Ongoing: Disaster Recovery Plan
Technology Plan

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Clerk