

TOWN OF RUMNEY
www.rumneynh.org
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
February 16, 2015

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

Chairman Ed Haskell opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

SELECTMEN

Minutes

February 9, 2015 – approved with corrections; Non-Public - approved

February 9, 2015 Public Hearing – 2015 Proposed Budget & Warrant – approved with corrections

Fuel/Yeaton – Ed reported that he had issued the fuel keys to the Chief Miller, Chief Coursey and Frank Simpson for their respective departments/vehicles. Anne will issue the Transfer Station key to Sonny on Wednesday. Ed provided Anne with a master list of keys by departments. The departments can now begin fueling at Yeaton's.

APPOINTMENTS

Chief Miller – Police Department Update

- Snowmobiles/Town Roads – there have been some incidents with snowmobilers driving on town roads in an attempt to get on the actual trails. He said there are a few places in town, specifically the Village and Buffalo Road areas that do not have direct access to the trails. He suggested drafting a “winter” ordinance, with input from the road agent, designating a few places in these areas that could be used for trail access keeping safety in mind for both snowmobilers and vehicular drivers and consequences if snowmobilers were driving on the town roads other than those “designated” areas. It would be something to work on with a goal of having it in place for next snowmobile season.
- Other Ordinances – Chief Miller suggested that they review both the Noise/Disorderly Conduct and Parking ordinances and amend as needed.
- Rabies Clinic – The Rumney Animal Hospital will be holding a clinic on Saturday, March 21 from 1:00 to 3:00. He suggested having the Town Clerk present during the clinic to issue the licenses that day in an attempt to cut down on the number of dog owners that forget to get their dogs licensed by the April 30th deadline. The Board was in support of this. Chief Miller will talk with Linda about it this week.

ADMINISTRATIVE

- Comstar 2015 Rates – Comstar recommends that clients review their rates annually and make any changes that reflect increases in operating costs, etc. The Board reviewed the current rates and agreed that no changes were necessary; the rate form was signed indicating no changes.

Selectmen's Meeting

02/16/15

Page 2

- DES/Subsurface e-Permitting System – This web-based program allows permitted designers and installers to prepare, pay for and submit individual sewage disposal systems (ISDS) standard and repair-and-replacement applications entirely online. With this change, “Prior-Approval” towns have the option of signing the Department’s local approval form letter or coming up with one of their own on town letterhead, etc. The Selectmen agreed going forward that they would use the Department’s form letter.
- North Country Council – During the budget process, the Selectmen and Planning Board agreed not to continue with participation in and with North Country Council (NCC). Anne asked how they wanted to handle future requests from NCC for the town’s input into their various projects. The Board agreed that they would not be responding to their requests.
- PSNH/BTLA Appeal – Today Attorney Boldt reported that he had been at the BTLA last week with the 2011 and 2012 appeals; he was positive about the testimony during those days. He will be back before the BTLA Thursday and Friday of this week hopefully for ruling. If the BTLA needs more time, they will have to find dates that work for all parties involved.
- Final Warrant and Budget – The Board voted 3-0 to accept the warrant and budget as amended following the public hearing. The warrant was signed; Anne will post it as required.

SELECTMEN

- Septic Approval – The Board reviewed the plan for a replacement system, Tax Map #13-08-82/14; having no concerns, the new DES form letter was signed.
- Non-Public Session – At 8:20 Dan made a motion to enter into a non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (c), seconded by Ed and voted 3-0 to enter. A motion was made and seconded to leave non-public session at 8:40 and voted on 3-0 to do so. No decisions were made.
- Administrative Assistant Position – The Board received 13 responses to the ad. The Board has completed their review of the applicants. Anne will schedule interviews next week with the candidates the Board has chosen.
- Non-Public Session – At 9:30 Ed make a motion to enter a non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (c), seconded by Dan and voted 3-0 to enter. At 9:40 a motion was made by Dan and seconded by Cheryl to leave non-public session and voted on 3-0 to do so. No decisions were made.
- Emergency Management Director Position – The Board signed a letter notifying the Department of Safety that Ray Valentin had resigned from his position as Emergency Management Director and that they would notify them as soon as they appoint his successor.
- With the upcoming change with the Administrative Assistant, the Board was in agreement that they would prefer the minutes are taken by that person. For the remainder of Anne’s term, she will be taking care of the minutes. The Board wishes to thank Diana Kindell for handling the meeting minutes over the last year and a half.

Selectmen's Meeting
02/16/15
Page 3

SIGNED: Checks; Comstar 2015 Rate Change Form; Letter to Dept of Safety – Notification of resignation of Emergency Mgt Director; Septic Approval Form - #13-08-82/14

UPCOMING: 02/24 Public Hearing on Library Addition @ 6:00 pm followed by Annual Municipal Law Update with Atty. Waugh and Planning Board
03/02 Selectmen's Meeting – Residents' Forum
03/10 Voting Day – Russell School - 8:00 am to 7:00 pm
03/12 Town Meeting – Russell School @ 7:00 pm
03/16 Selectmen's Meeting
03/30 Audit – 2014 Year End
03/31 Planning Board – Selectmen/CIP
04/06 Selectmen's Meeting

At 9:45 Cheryl made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dan and voted 3-0 to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne B. Dow
Administrative Assistant