

TOWN OF RUMNEY
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SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
03-02-15

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

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

6:30 Fire Chief Dave Coursey met with the Board. He updated them on the forestry-utility truck. The truck has been painted. They got a good price from Fairfield on the bed; the skid tank will be coming from E-1. It should be here in 4-6 weeks. Dave asked about the light bar presently on the 2007 police cruiser; the Board suggested talking with Chief Miller about it.

At 6:38 Ed made a motion to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II (a)(c), seconded by Dan, voted 3-0 to enter. A motion was made by Dan to leave non-public session at 6:50, seconded by Cheryl and voted 3-0 to leave. The minutes will be sealed.

7:00 RESIDENTS' FORUM – No public present with questions or concerns.

7:00 Mark Andrew met with the Board to accept the appointment for the Emergency Management Director position. Mark was the EMD from 1990 – 2003. He will be contacting Paul Hatch from the Emergency Management office in Concord to discuss what may be available for training, etc. He also plans to meet with the school and the other town departments in the next few months. Anne will check with John Francis on the status of the maintenance of the generator at the school.

7:30 Chief Miller met with the Board for the regular police department update.

1. He went over the calls for the first two months of the year.
2. The ad for the full-time officer position will be redone and state the position will remain open until filled; there currently is a March 13th deadline for applications.
3. The Board mentioned Chief Coursey's interest in the light bar; he will talk with Chief Coursey.
4. Rabies Clinic is on for Saturday, March 21st at the Rumney Animal Hospital. There was discussion about holding the clinic in the parking lot of the Town Office next year. If it was held at the office the Town Clerk may be available to license the dogs that day.

ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Received notification from the DOT that there will be some paving on Quincy Rd this summer.
2. Board received and reviewed DOT's report on Municipal Owner Bridges
3. Groton Wind - Received the annual report from them on the facility per agreement; copies will be given to the emergency departments.
4. 2014 Abatements – The town received 10 abatements for the 2014 year, three of them from utilities which will be forwarded to George Sansoucy.

5. HealthTrust provided the town with information regarding the Anthem computer breach; the information has been passed on the employees.
6. There will be a meeting at the Town Office on March 24th regarding the Interpretive Historic Sign requirement which is part of the Groton Wind mitigation with the Town. The meeting will be run by Chris Fournier from HEB Engineers with representatives from FEMA and the NH Historic Preservation Org. along with Library Trustees, Frank Simpson, Road Agent, and Mark Andrew, EMD.
7. Board received and reviewed information compiled by Larry Cushman on the Landfill Closure matter. Larry strongly believes the Town should not spend any more money on this issue because the Town never had a landfill. The Board will take his information under advisement.
8. The annual Municipal Law Update with Attorney Bernie Waugh has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 31st.

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1. Minutes – The minutes from the 02/16/15 meeting and two non-public sessions were accepted as written; minutes from the Public Hearing on 02/24/15 were accepted as written and minutes from non-public sessions (Administrative Assistant candidate interviews) on 02/26/15 and 02/28/15 were accepted as written.
2. Citizen Recognition – The Board would like to recognize Stephen Buttolph. Stephen was selected as one of 10 Boy Scouts across the United States to hand-deliver the Boy Scouts of America's Report to the Nation, in Washington, D.C. The report is an annual document that details scouting's impact on communities across the country. Being selected to the Report to the Nation delegation is a tremendous honor for the scouts and the communities they represent. Congratulations Stephen.
3. Capital Improvement Plan
 - A. Board received confirmation that capital reserve funds, with the Selectmen appointed as agents, can be disbursed throughout the year without a formal vote at Town Meeting.
 - B. When the Highway Department and Fire Department original funds were set up, no agents were appointed. These two funds will still require a vote at Town Meeting before withdrawals from them are made.
 - C. It is the Board's intention, however, that funds from the other Capital Reserve Funds will not be expended unless the expenditure is part of the respective department's CIP for the current or a previous year.
 - D. Exceptions will be given for emergencies that arise. The Selectmen will have the final say on what is an emergency.
 - E. Any expenditure over \$1,000 will require a public hearing
 - F. Board will draw up a plan for the above outlining the process and expectations from departments.
4. Energy Audit – The Board will review the energy audit recommendations during the year and budget for several of the changes in 2016.
5. Board assigned time slots for the March 10th election and individual warrant article assignments for Town Meeting.
6. Board reviewed two abatements – Furey – Granted; Fatherland Trust – Denied.

7. Dan made a motion at 9:30 pm to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (b) to discuss the Administrative Assistant position, seconded by Cheryl and voted 3-0 to enter. A motion was made by Cheryl at 9:50 to leave non-public session, seconded by Ed and voted 3-0 to leave. The Selectmen will offer the position to an individual and meet on Wednesday, March 4th to finalize the details if accepted.

SIGNED: Checks; Abatements – Furey; Fatherland Trust; Refund- Furey

UPCOMING: 03/10 Town/School Elections & Voting – Russell School 8:00 am – 7:00 pm
03/12 Town Meeting – Russell School 7:00 pm
03/16 Selectmen's Meeting
03/17 Planning Board
03/24 Historic Sign Meeting
03/31 Planning Board – Municipal Law Update with Bernie Waugh
04/06 Selectmen's Meeting – Residents' Forum

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne B. Dow, Administrative Assistant