

**Town of Rumney**  
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**Selectmen's meeting**  
**MINUTES**  
**06-15-2015**

Selectmen: Cheryl Lewis, Dan Kimble  
Excused absence: Ed Haskell  
Administrative Assistant: Joe Chivell

6:30 PM Dan Kimble called the meeting to order

**EMS:**

Attempt to re-schedule to a future date.

**Correspondence:**

Documents supplied by Linda Whitcomb were made available to the Board. Board member Cheryl Lewis felt that she needed to recuse herself from this discussion. Matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Documentation from CNP regarding the: D. Lalonde; K. Higgins; T. Mongeon properties were reviewed and signed. Copies will be forwarded to the property owners.

**Planning Board:**

Steve Webber of the Rumney Planning Board asked to meet with the Board of Selectmen. He wanted to make the Select Board aware of a situation that had occurred within the Planning Board. David Coursey, Planning Board member, asked to be excused from his duties as far as being a member of the group that inspects pits prior to any pit being granted an excavation permit. Webber stated that Coursey felt that he did not have the background to complete a proper pit inspection.

The Planning Board would like to explore hiring a company to complete this type of inspection. Webber also stated the Planning Board did not know if they had the authority to do so, but thought that the cost of inspections could be passed along to the pit owners' through the permitting process.

It was discussed that the current regulations were brought to the Select Board by the Planning Board with the recommendation to have the regulations adopted. Currently, none of the Planning Board members feel that they have the qualifications to conduct a pit inspection. Therefore, that they feel the need to explore the options of hiring a company to conduct the inspections.

Selectmen Dan Kimble asked Mr. Webber, "What company did pit inspections and if he knew how other towns handled this type of inspection?" Mr.

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Webber did not know but thought the town could ask the state if they did this type of inspection and / or call MRI requesting the same information, along with a possible cost. The Planning Board will work on the permitting regulations and the Selectmen's Office will inquire into how other towns handle inspections and what companies, if any, conduct pit inspections.

Other Planning Board news; the Planning Board will looking into the different types of notifications related to blasting and letting abutters know when a blast is to take place. The Board had one member step down, so they will be looking for a replacement. Lastly, the Planning Board is close to completing the sub-division requirements.

### **J. Sobetzer Property Tax Map Numbers:**

Jay Sobetzer requested to speak with the Select Board regarding an issue with property numbers 9-2-4 and 9-2-3. He reported that at least a decade, or two ago, these two property numbers were inadvertently switched. He is currently working with his attorney to draft a corrective deed to address this issue. His request of the Board is, once the corrective deed is completed, to keep the assigned property numbers and change the numbering on the tax maps. The Board agreed that if the second property owner is in agreement and a corrective deed is filed, the town would work with the tax map company, CAI, to make the adjustment on the town tax maps.

### **Stinson Lake 5K:**

Lindsey Scully had earlier sent an information packet indicating she was interested in organizing a 5K road run along Stinson Lake in late August. This packet had been forwarded to the Rumney emergency services for their input. Ms. Scully was unable to attend the meeting, but she had arranged for Ron Vance to stand in for her and he gave a brief overview of the informational packet.

Police Chief Brett Miller stated that he had been able to speak with Ms. Scully by telephone today. The additional information he obtained from Ms. Scully was that she hoped to have between 50 and a100 runners attend this 5K road run.

A written response from the EMS Director stated Rumney EMS would not be able to set up a first aid station. The Rumney EMS could be detailed to be on standby in the area to respond, if there were an injury.

Chief Miller brought up the issue that Stinson Lake Road is a state road, to run such an event would require a permit to be obtained from NH-DOT. It is very unlikely that state would allow closure of the road, changing the run route would be a better solution. Chief Miller recommended the Ms. Scully should have a discussion with the NEFE regarding the parking in the area of the Happy T Ranch. He recommends requesting the assistance of the

residence in the Stinson Lake Road area to assist with the event. Miller believes this may allow for a buy in by the people living along the run route.

Work will continue organizing this proposed event, with information forwarded to the town as it becomes available.

**Chief Brett Miller:**

Parking is still an issue in the area of the Rumney Town Common. There is also a concern regarding road side parking along Quincy Road during the weekend livestock auctions. Attempts to post the Common area have been made, but it is still creating a hazardous situation for people traveling through.

It was determined that the state be contacted to find out what requirements are needed to post the two areas as "NO PARKING" zones.

Chief indicated that the town has felt the impact of Motorcycle Week. Last week there was a rally that included traveling up East Rumney Road.

The hiring process is continuing. A candidate should be ready to meet the Board, if the Board so wishes, within the next few weeks.

**NEFE:**

Gregor Andersen and Sam Yeager were present to meet with the Board for a five year up-date.

Mr. Anderen stated that a trailer behind or "given" to the NEFE will be removed within a couple weeks from their property.

Mr. Andersen asked if the Board had questions of him and NEFE.

It was requested that NEFE supply the town with the following information:

List of building and their use

Number of campers

List of the number of scholarships offered

Mr. Andersen stated that the timber lot that was logged will remain in current use. He stated that the "front pool" will not be used until it is brought up to meet ADA requirements. The pool on the hill will be used. There is a plan to renovate the Welcome Center and some of the cabins on the hill.

The status of the dry-hydrant was discussed. Mr. Andersen was under the impression that the work had been completed. It was determined that the work has not been completed. The past agreement had been that the town would supply the material, and NEFE would complete the groundwork. It was agreed that the work on the dry hydrant would be completed as equipment was available.

**Correspondence/Administration continued:**

Documents provided by HEB regarding the continuation of work towards rebuilding the Buffalo Road Bridge were reviewed and signed.

A fax received from Blastech Corp regarding the recent blast at Central NH Aggregate was reviewed. It reported no problems and the Rumney Fire Chief was present at the time of the blast.

An e-mail from Parker Moore, State Hazard Mitigation Planner, NH Homeland Security & Emergency Management was given to the Board with an explanation. The Board had signed an agreement on April 6, 2015 with HSEM. On page 4 of 6, section 1, paragraph 3, ("The Grantee") showed a date of September 30, 2015. The correct date should be September 30, 2016. With this information the Board was still in agreement with the document.

Mark Andrew, Rumney Emergency Management Director, request that the school be allowed to program the radio frequency held by the Town of Rumney into three of the school owned portable radios. Allowing school administrators to use this frequency will assist in any emergency that occurs at the school and related drills. Mark indicated that he had made contact with the Rumney department heads and no one had an issue with allowing the use of that frequency during an emergency.

The Board authorized the school to use the frequency during an emergency or related drill. The Board request that the school pay for the programming of their radios.

The recent removal of the pine trees within the town common was discussed briefly. The two remaining pine trees do not appear to be in good health. Frank Simpson, Rumney Road Agent, had been asked if he would be able to remove those two trees. Mr. Simpson reported back that he would be able to remove the two pine trees, the stumps, and seed the area. The Board agreed to have the Road Agent remove the trees before they became a hazard or too large for the highway crew to handle.

The Groton Wind Farm has donated four road signs to be used on Groton Hollow Road. They gave the town two "Slow Children Playing" signs and two reflective speed limit signs.

The DRA sent a letter enquiring if the town will be continuing the use of the PA 28 Inventory Form that the DRA provides, if so how many. The letter requested the signature of the Select Board members and will act as an order form for the PA 28 paperwork. Board members signed the form, as the town will continue using the PA 28 Inventory Form and the number of forms will be determined with the assistance of the tax collector.

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The Town Office will be closed on Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> this year, as the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday is on a Saturday.

**New Business:**

Based on feedback received by the Select Board from town people, there is a concern that the Town Clerk / Tax Collect's Office was closed on June 12, 2015 with little to no advanced notice. Going forward, other than emergency situations, it is the request of the Select Board that office closings are posted on the town web site and at the Town Office with as much advance notice as possible.

9:15 PM Dan Kimble made a motion to adjourn, the motioned received a second from Cheryl Lewis. Motion passed 2-0

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell  
Administrative Assistant

Up Coming Events: June 30 Planning Board - CIP - Police & Library  
July 3 Town office closed in observance of Independence Day  
July 6 Selectmen's Meeting with Public Forum  
July 14 Planning Board - CIP - Transfer Station & Fire Department  
July 20 Public Hearing for TWC contract  
July 20 Select Board Meeting  
July 28 Planning Board - CIP - Highway, Roads/Bridges & Town  
Clerk/Tax Collector

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