

Town of Rumney
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Selectmen's meeting
MINUTES
07-06-2015

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

6:30 PM Dan Kimble called the meeting to order

Meeting minutes

Meeting minutes of the June 15, 2015 Board meeting were reviewed. Upon a motion made by Dan Kimble to accept the minutes as corrected a second was made by Cheryl Lewis. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Home Day

Diana Graves-Kindell met with the Board to request permission to sell Old Home Day raffle tickets at the Transfer Station. The Board approved the request.

Tax Collector update

The Board was provided with a spread sheet for their review of properties on tax payment plans. No action was required.

The Board was provided with information on a property that had been deeded April 2013. Cheryl Lewis recused herself from the discussion and any actions that may occur. A motion was made by Dan Kimble to move forward with auctioning the property in the spring of 2016. This motion received a second from Ed Haskell. The motion passed 2-0

Transfer Station

Sonny Ouellette, Superintendent of the Rumney Transfer Station, requested to speak with the Board regarding a personnel issue. Ed Haskell made a motion to go into non-public session, under RSA 91-A:3, II (a). This motion received a second from Dan Kimble. Motion passed 3-0

Dan Kimble made a motion to exit non-public session and re-enter public session. This motion received a second by Ed Haskell. Motion Passed 3-0. No action required

At 7:35 pm, a property owner requested to meet with the Board regarding a personnel issue. Dan Kimble made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3,II (a) and/or RSA 91-A:3,II (c). This motion received a second from Ed Haskell. Motion passed 3-0

At 7:55 pm, a motion to indefinitely seal the minutes of the non-public session was made by Dan Kimble. This motion received a second from Ed Haskell. Motion passed 2-0 (Cheryl Lewis recused herself).

At 7:57 pm, Ed Haskell made a motion to leave non-public session and re-enter public session. This motion received a second from Dan Kimble. Motion passed 3-0

William Lightfoot requested to meet with the Board regarding an ongoing property use issue. Mr. Lightfoot provided the Board with copies of correspondence that had gone between C.N.P. LLC and the town of Rumney. He also stated that he had requested to meet with the Selectboard because he felt that he had not been able to get information from the Planning Board after numerous attempts and he, Mr. Lightfoot, thought the Select Board had authority over the Planning Board. Ed Haskell explained to Mr. Lightfoot that the Selectboard had no supervisory role over the Planning Board. Mr. Lightfoot was told that the correspondence would be taken under advisement and he would be contacted after the research was complete.

Police Department Update

Chief Miller introduced Greg Patten, new police officer for the town of Rumney. Officer Patten is scheduled to attend New Hampshire Police Standard's and Training Academy in August to obtain certification as a full-time officer. Between the academy start date and now Officer Patten will take part in field training with Chief Miller.

Chief Miller reports that all dogs are now licensed in Rumney. He hopes to work with the Rumney Town Clerk and local animal hospital to host a one day rabies shot – dog license event next year.

An overview of the new Hands Free Law was offered. The chief is drafting a department policy regarding cell phone/GPS use while in the town cruiser. The new cruiser is equipped with Bluetooth, so it complies with the Hands Free Law. The older cruiser doesn't have that feature. That feature may be investigated in the future.

State DOT has changed the inspection month for municipalities. This will require all town vehicles to be inspected in September. March had been the assigned month to all municipalities. This will require a second inspection for all town vehicles this year at the expense of the town.

A letter from New Hampshire Highway Safety was shared with the Board. Chief Miller explained, due to a new tier system initiated by Highway Safety, Rumney may not be eligible for Highway Safety grants for speed enforcement and DWI patrols. This will be subject to review as each town files for grants.

In a cost saving effort, Chief Miller has placed the Plymouth Area Prosecutors Association on notice that the department is reserving the right to withdraw from the association. Chief Miller is working with the county attorney to take part in a pilot program that would have a member of the county attorney's office present cases at the district court level. This pilot project would

save approximately \$380.00 per case. The county attorney has opened a sub-station in Plymouth. A copy of the contract to take part in the pilot program will be forwarded for review in the near future.

A letter from New Hampshire Police Standard's and Training was shared with the Board. It outlined the possible cutbacks to in-service training.

A motor vehicle accident on Quincy Road caused damage to the stone wall at Highland Cemetery. Driver information will be forwarded so that a claim may be made.

Administrative Assistant

The manner in which town bank deposits are made was discussed. It was agreed that three lock style bank bags will be obtained from Northway Bank and documents will be on file to allow the use of night deposit drops as needed.

Dan Kimble made a motion to allow Administrative Assistant, Joe Chivell, to be on the list of authorized persons to drop off and pick up deposits from the Northway Bank. The motion received a second from Ed Haskell. Motion Passed 3-0

Last week an issue came up with the town's on-line banking. Administrative Assistant, Joe Chivell, was not allowed to work with the bank to resolve the issue because he had not been placed on the list of authorized users. A resolution to this issue would be to add Joe Chivell to the authorized user list, a new signature card needed to be completed. A motion was made by Dan Kimble to add Joe Chivell to the signature card and to also add Ed Haskell as a co-signer. This motion received a second from Cheryl Lewis. The motion passed 3-0.

Following up on two parking issues discussed at the June 15th Board meeting, a letter sent to William Lambert of NH-DOT Traffic Bureau was shared. At this point no reply has been received from Mr. Lambert.

The June Rumney Fire Department activity report was shared with the Board.

Correspondence from Ken Knowlton was shared with the Board. Mr. Knowlton had been in Rumney and reported on visits he had made to local junk yards and other properties that may be in violation. Letters will be sent to possible violators, this will be reviewed in the near future.

The Junk Yard License Renewal form was received from William Short, upon review the Board signed the renewal.

The Board was briefed on an upcoming table top exercise that is being planned by Mark Andrew. The exercise will include all department heads, and it was requested that as many of

the Board members attend as possible, along with the Town Administrative Assistant. The exercise is being planned for August 25, 2015.

A letter from Wade Reed was reviewed by the Board. The letter stated that Reed would like to begin work on a section of Doetown Road, allowing him access to his property. The Board asked that his letter be shared with the Road Agent and Planning Board.

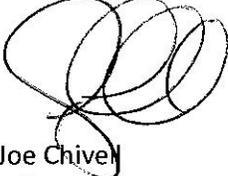
A letter from G. Sanborn was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Sanborn is requesting to remove a piece of property from current use. This has been passed along to the assessor's office.

An estimated assessment of payment amounts and dates was received from SAU #48 for both Russell School and PRHS that covers the upcoming 2015-2016 school year.

A letter from the U.S. Board on Geographic Names requested the position of the Board on changing the name of Bog Pond to Rowbartwood Pond. Following brief discussion a motion was made by Ed Haskell to oppose the name change. The Motion received a second from Dan Kimble. The motion to oppose the name change passed 3-0

A letter from William Savoie was reviewed. Documents that are needed to respond to his letter will be obtained and reviewed.

Sincerely submitted,



Joe Chivel
Administrative Assistant

Up Coming Events: 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