

Town of Rumney
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Selectmen's meeting/ Public Hearing
MINUTES
08-17-2015

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

6:30 PM Ed Haskell called the meeting to order

The first order of business , all three members of the Rumney Board of Selectmen wish to thank Janice Mulherin for taking time to attend the Rumney Old Home Day celebration to present Ila Keniston the Boston Post Cane on the town's behalf.

Review of minutes

After a review of the minutes of the August 3, 2015 Selectmen's meeting Cheryl Lewis made a motion, which received a second from Dan Kimble, to accept the minutes as amended. The motion passed 2-0; Ed Haskell was not present at the August 3, 2015 meeting and did not vote.

Blastech

Blastech, Inc. placed a notice in a local paper of its intent to blast every weekday of August and September 2015. This does not violate the Rumney Blast Ordinance, but it is felt that Blastech is circumventing the intent of the ordinance. As the town moves forward, it may want to amend the current ordinance to tighten any "loop holes" for any company that may want to conduct blasting in Rumney. Areas of the current ordinance that may need to be reviewed are, but not limited to, who notifications are given to, how notices are conveyed, and the duration of a permit.

CIP

The Select Board will present the Administration information at the Planning Board's CIP meeting next Tuesday, August 25, 2015. The following items were identified to fit the CIP criteria;

- Town Office server 5 years replacement
- Town Office copier within a year
- Town Building Office space needs 10 years
- Historical Building
 - o General repairs (windows, floors, etc.) 8 years
 - o Roof replacement 10 years

A follow up discussion revolved around the philosophy of lease vs. capital reserve accounts. The philosophy to continue using capital reserve accounts for major building issues was agreed upon. The thought of exploring municipal lease programs for items such as vehicles and equipment was based on several residents expressing they would like to pay for items currently in use, rather than putting money away for such items to be purchased years down the road when those current residents may not be here to see the use. Additional information on

municipal lease programs will be investigated as needed. Level and reasonable yearly funding is still the goal of the Board.

EMS

Becky Bordonaro, a member of Rumney EMS, reports to the Board that she currently has more time to address EMS issues. She has recently taken inventory of equipment and supplies needed for the squad. She is making an effort to address staffing, training, and response to calls.

Police

The New Hampshire Police Academy postponed the physical entrance test that Officer Greg Patton was scheduled to attend on August 17, 2015. The new date for this test is August 24, 2015.

Re-assigning the use of older town used computer equipment to the police department was discussed. No decision was made pending the exact cost to do so.

Library

Tom Wallace had provided information on a change order to allow work on the room that the new lift goes to. The work will make the room more useful. A review of the cost, to date, of the library project was provided to the Board members. The Board approved the request to go forward with the change order. The actual change order will be available to sign later this week.

2016 Budget

Department heads will be asked to start work on their proposed 2016 operating budget on September 1, 2015. Department's proposed operating budget will be turned into the Selectmen's Office by September 30, 2015. During October the Select Board will meet as usual on the 1st and 3rd Monday. The 2nd and 4th Mondays will be used as work sessions. Department heads will be notified of the date and time to present their budget proposal to the Board.

Emergency Management

Mark Andrew asked that a reminder be given of the table top exercise that is scheduled August 25, 2015.

Labor Day

Labor Day, September 7, 2015, is the first Monday of the month. The Rumney Town Office will be closed that day and there will be no Select Board meeting that night. A work session will be held on August 31, 2015 to make up for that meeting.

Building Security

A proposal to install security cameras was reviewed by the Board. Ed Haskell made a motion, which received a second from Dan Kimble, to have J.S. Adams Security Systems, LLP install 2 external cameras, 2 internal cameras, required wiring, power supply and 8 channel DVR. Motion passed 3-0.

Perambulation

The Board was notified that the Administrative Assistant from Wentworth called regarding follow up on the Perambulation of the Rumney / Wentworth town line. The Board requested that I contact Janice Mulherin. Janice Mulherin, Rumney Conservation Commission, had been part of the Perambulation for Rumney, with Wentworth, earlier.

DTC

Correspondence from DTC Law firm was reviewed. DTC is requesting to be authorized to accepting service if FairPoint files an appeal relating to the recent utilities court ruling. Cheryl Lewis made a motion, which received a second from Ed Haskell, to allow DTC to accept service on behalf of the Town of Rumney if FairPoint does in fact file an appeal to the recent utilities court ruling. Motion passed 3-0.

Junk Yard Compliance

A draft of a letter to be sent to property owners that may be out of compliance as outline by NH RSA Chapter 236 was reviewed and authorized to be mailed.

Motion to adjourn

At 8:55pm Ed Haskell made a motion, which received a second from Dan Kimble, to adjourn. Motion passed 3-0.

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell
Administrative Assistant
Town of Rumney