

**Town of Rumney
Board of Selectmen
May 16, 2016
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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

**Present: Select Board Members-Chairmen Ed Haskell, Dan Kimble, Mark Andrew
Administrative Assistant, Joe Chivell**

6:30PM Call to order – Items reviewed and signed:

- Payroll
- Accounts payable
- Property Tax Warrant
- PA-36; Heath, Latulippe, Winsor
- Auditors Letter to Charter Trust
- Intent to Cut Map 13-2013

6:35PM The Board and Road Agent, Frank Simpson, walked the area surrounding the Town Office building and the Depot Street Fire Department and discussed the summer paving project. The area to the west of the town building has been prepared for paving.

The group discussed the condition of the existing pavement directly in front of the town building. It is currently 25 years old, the consensus was, if it is re-paved now it should last another 25, or so, years. The timbers that are currently in place, between the edge of the pavement and the town build, are in very poor condition. It was decided to replace the existing timbers with new timbers that would be two inches higher.

On the east side of the building, in the area of the police department, it is understood that the septic clean-out is in the flowerbed. The leach field is slightly under the pavement and goes out as far as the birch tree. Frank Simpson recommends that the birch tree be removed so that roots won't damage the leach field. The area currently paved, adjacent to the police department office, will stay as pavement. An additional strip of pavement will be placed on the east portion of this paved area.

It was reported that the fire chief did not need pavement at the backdoor, west side, of the Depot Street station. He has requested the front apron be repaved and a section on the east side of the building be paved. Chief Coursey had said he would place stakes on the east side of the building indicating where he envisioned the parking lot to be located, the stakes have not been put into place as of yet.

Frank Simpson recommends that a “winter mix” be used in these areas. Simpson will start to work of the bids so that it can be sent out as a complete package in the effort to get the best price.

Highway Agent, Frank Simpson, reported on the status of the plow package bid for the new Highway Department dump truck. Simpson requested to be authorized to order the package from H.P. Fairfield, LLC. The Original budgeting price given was \$70,500.00. The current bid price is \$68, 279.00.

The cab and chassis cost is \$93,987.00. The package cost, to date, would be \$162,266.00. Miscellaneous items, such as lettering, radio purchase and installation will still be needed.

Selectmen Chair, Ed Haskell, made a motion, which received a second from Selectmen Dan Kimble, to authorized the plow package, as listed on the bid sheet, be ordered from H.P Fairfield, LLC. Motion passed 3-0.

6:50PM

Kathy Sobetzer, Cemetery Trustee, requested to meet with the Board of Selectmen.

Recently two family members have requested to be added to the deed of an extended family member’s cemetery lot. The lot deed is not available and it is unknown where the actual deed is located. There was discussion concerning who is buried in the lot and the lack of records from the 1918 era. This lot is 20X20 which would allow for ten burials, there have been seven burials on this lot to date.

It was determined the course of action to be taken would be to send a letter to the two family members outlining the research that they will be required to complete to show proof they have the rights to the lot and the right to be added to the deed. This letter will come from the Cemetery Trustees.

7:10PM

Peter Jackson of the Rumney Climbing Association and owner of the Little House Inn and Hostel, requested to meet with the Board. Mr. Jackson explained that the Rumney Climbing Association has been a non-profit in existence for about twenty-one years. Its initial purpose was to complete trail work. Recently, RCA obtained an option to buy and preserve the Gary Zielinski property, that is adjacent to the Rumney Rocks. RCA has been fund raising to purchase this property and is in the initial stage of planning a major fund raising event this fall. Members of RCA have started a dialog with Rumney safety agencies and neighboring property owners in the Buffalo Road and Depot Street areas. The group will continue to keep the town updated as planning continues.

The Board asked that the RCA work with the local police department to educate visiting climbers on the issue of parking.

7:15PM 2015 Abatements from the assessor's office and the Town Clerk's Office were available for explaining, review and signature. All documents were signed by all three members of the Board.

7:35PM Aaron Werner, Director of NEF, asked to meet with the Board. Mr. Werner stated he had no agenda item he just wanted a chance to introduce himself to the Selectmen. Mark Andrew, Emergency Management Director, ask Aaron Werner if they could discuss, at some point in time, using the NEF as an emergency shelter. Mr. Werner indicated that would be fine with him.

Mr. Werner was asked about plans for the pool on the main property and use of the lake property. Mr. Werner stated there will be a fund raiser in June to assist with the pool renovations. He also stated there will be work done on the lake property this summer. There is one group scheduled to be at the lake and approximately two hundred camper use the lake property, once a week, each week of camp.

7:40PM Brian Gallagher (R), State Representative District 4, requested to meet with the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Gallagher is a candidate for the District 2 Senate seat being vacated by Senator Jeanie Forrester. He resides in Sanbornton, as a State Representative he is assigned to the House Ways & Means Committee.

8:00PM **Administrative Assistant Reports**

The Board reviewed the Minutes from the April 18, 2016, Selectmen's meeting. Selectmen Dan Kimble made a motion, which received a second from Selectmen Mark Andrew, to accept the minutes as corrected. Motion passed 3-0

Current Use A-10 for parcel 13-2011 was provided for review and signature. All three Board members signed the form.

Code enforcement reports from Ken Knowlton were made available for review. The Board requested that Ken Knowlton move forward on all properties that are currently deemed in violation of the Junkyard RSA. Letters will be sent to the property owners and copied to Ken Knowlton.

The note from Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank was available for review and signature. All three Board members signed the note.

July 4th, is the first Monday of July and a holiday. Administrative Assistant, Joe Chivell, asked the Board if they wanted to reschedule the meeting or go forward with just one meeting in July. Board members decided that if a meeting is needed, one will be added July 11th.

The 2015 Town audit went smoothly. Auditors will be back on May 24th, to finish the remaining items. The auditor's report will follow within a month of that visit.

The Board was made aware that Part 1 of the Tax Bill will go out this Thursday.

Road Agent, Frank Simpson, reported that Appleton Burrow of Old North Groton Road responded to the letter that was sent out by the Town. Mr. Burrows authorized the Town Highway to conduct the requested work in the area of his property.

8:20PM Old Business – NA

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A letter, to acknowledge monetary donations for Old Home Day, was offered for review. The Board members approved it and asked that the Town Seal be added to it.

Mark Andrew reported that a copy of the Rumney Rural Fire Protection Plan has been forwarded to the town from Richard Demark of NCRCD.

The Rumney Tax Kiosk is up and running on the Town of Rumney website.

It was noted that someone had been camping at the Jim Darling Natural Area. The area needs a “NO PARKING” sign with set hours.

8:40PM Dan Kimble made a motion, which received a second from Ed Haskell, to adjourn. Motion passed 3-0

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell
Administrative Assistant
Town of Rumney

Up Coming Events;

May 19 th	Hazard Mitigation Meeting
May 30 th	Office Closed in recognition of Memorial Day
June 5 th	Facility Committee Meeting
June 6 st	Selectmen’s Meeting with Public Forum
June 6 st	Public Hearing on Purchase of Town Clerk Software
June 18 th	Tax Deeded Property Auction
June 20 th	Selectmen’s Meeting