

**Town of Rumney
Board of Selectmen
January 9, 2017
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

Present: Select Board Members-Ed Haskell, Mark Andrew, Robert Berti
Administrative Assistant - Joe Chivell

5:30 PM Meeting called to order

The Board invited input from the Budget Advisory Committee. Roger Daniels commented that he felt that all the changes that could be made, had been made.

Administrative Assistant, Joe Chivell, handed out updated FY 2016 expenditure report as of January 6, 2017, and updated the Board on two items that had come in after they met with the department heads.

The first item came from Transfer Station Superintendent, Milton "Sonny" Ouellette. Last week Ouellette requested to increase a line by \$2,800.00 to allow for the removal of crushed glass. After a brief discussion, the Board asked that Ouellette come in and speak with the Board during the work session on January 14th.

The second item came from Cemetery trustee, Kathy Sobetzer. The Trustee's asked that the Capital Reserve amount that the Trustee's had asked for be changed from \$5,000.00 to \$6,500.00.

The Board of Selectmen will meet on January 14, 2017, in a work session dedicated directly to finalizing the budget for the February 6, 2017, Public Budget Hearing. During the work session capital reserves accounts and salaries will be discussed.

5:55 PM Road Agent, Frank Simpson, met with the Board to discuss the vacancy in his department. An ad had been place in the Penny Saver, the Record Enterprise, and posted at the Town Office and Rumney Transfer Station. A total of seven applications were received. The Board and Road Agent reviewed the applications. At 6:02 PM Chairman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to enter into non-public session, under RSA 91-A:3,II (b). Selectman, Mark Andrew, seconded the motion. No discussion on the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

At 6:20 PM Selectman, Mark Andrew, made a motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session. Chairman, Ed Haskell, seconded the motion. No discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

A motion to seal the nonpublic session minutes for six months was made by Selectman, Mark Andrew. The motion was seconded by Chairman, Ed Haskell. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Road Agent, Frank Simpson, will contact candidates #1, #2, and #3 for follow up interviews and to obtain waivers for background checks.

6:30 PM A Grant Agreement covering the costs overruns of the Buffalo Road Bridge Project was required by the NH Department of Safety, Homeland Security and Emergency Management. The funds related to this grant were passed as part of Article #3 during the March 2016 Rumney Town Meeting. The Board reviewed the Grant Agreement, there was no discussion concerning the grant.

Selectman, Mark Andrew, made a motion that The Town of Rumney Board of Selectmen, in a majority vote, accept the terms of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) as presented in the amount of \$13,063.00 for the cost overruns associated with the Buffalo Road Bridge Project. Furthermore, the Board acknowledges that the total cost of this project will be \$17,418.00, in which the Town will be responsible for a 25% match (\$4,355.00).

The above motion received a second from Chairman, Ed Haskell. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The grant agreement was signed by all three Board members as witnessed by Justice of the Peace, Joseph Chivell.

7:00 PM Public Forum – No public present

7:00 PM - Administrative Assistant Report

- Review of December 19, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes. Chairman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Selectman, Mark Andrew, seconded the motion. No discussion on the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- Review of requested 2016 Encumbered Funds. Board members signed the request after review.
- A notice from Byron Merrill Library Librarian, Susan Turbyne, informing the Board of Selectmen that the Library Trustee's had voted to encumber funds from 2016 was reviewed. There was no action required on the part of the Board.
- The Transfer Station's 2016 fourth quarter report was available for review.
- Correspondence from Russell Elementary Principal, Jonann Torsey, concerning the school meeting with a grant writer was available for review.
- Correspondence from CDPA was made available for review.
- Fire Department boiler/heating system was reviewed by Stiles Heating (Yeaton Oil). Stiles Heating representative, Donald Winget, stated the system was outside of their normal business practice. They recommended contacting a commercial heating company.

- The application to join the Winnepesaukee Drug Consortium, LLC has been submitted. Along with the random testing of required town employees, they can, and will, test the final candidate for the highway department vacancy. Testing is completed at Speare Hospital. Speare Hospital can also conduct DOT physicals at the rate of \$67.00 per-exam. The Board feels that DOT physicals should become part of the procedure and looked at for all town employee's that fall under the DOT requirements.
- A review of up-coming Board meetings was discussed; now that meetings with the Budget Advisory Committee are complete, the Board agreed to return to the 6:30 PM start time for their meetings. Meeting will be January 23rd, February 6th & 23rd, and March 6st. Town elections on March 14th and Town Meeting - March 16th.
- Payroll and Accounts payable reviewed and signed.
- New signature cards for the checking account were completed

7:20 PM Old Business

- EOP meeting on 01-05 -2017 was well attended. Follow up EOP meeting will be held on 01-19-2017.
- The recent unveiling of the new bulletin board on the Historical Building was well attended, approximately 50 people were there. Included in the remarks given at the unveiling included that the final Buffalo Road Bridge project cost was \$396,208.36. The cost share break down of the project was 75% paid by NHDOS, 20% paid for by NH-DOT, and the remaining balance, or 5%, was covered by the Town of Rumney. Following the unveiling, there was a slide show of the of historical landmarks around Rumney and snacks.

7:35PM Motion to adjourn was made by Chairman, Ed Haskell. The motion received a second from Selectman, Mark Andrew. Motion passed 3-0.

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell
 Administrative Assistant
 Town of Rumney

Upcoming events:

Selectmen's Meeting w/ Public Forum	January 9, 2017
Planning Board Meeting	January 17, 2017
Selectmen's Meeting	January 23, 2017
Planning Board Meeting	January 31, 2017
Public Budget Hearing	February 6, 2017