

**Town of Rumney  
Board of Selectmen  
January 23, 2017  
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

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

**6:30 PM** Meeting called to order

- Payroll and accounts payable checks reviewed and signed
- PAF for Leave request approved. Administrative Assistant, Joe Chivell, requested February 15, 2017 off. Selectmen's Office will be closed that day.
- Minutes of the January 9, 2017, Selectmen's Meeting were reviewed. Selectman, Mark Andrew, made a motion to accept the meeting minutes as corrected. The motion received a second from Chairman, Ed Haskell. No further discussion, motion passed 2-0.

**6:45 PM** Armand Girouard, representing the 250<sup>th</sup> Committee, requested to meet with the Board concerning a possible change in the parade route for the 2017 Old Home Day – 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration. Also, present for this portion of the meeting was Rumney Police Chief, Brett Miller. Girouard introduced himself to the Board, stating he had recently purchased a house on Mill Road, wanting to get involved with town events, he joined the 250<sup>th</sup> Committee. Girouard also stated he had been in charge of parades when he lived in Plymouth. Girouard stated in his opinion there were several reasons the route should be moved, reasons included: the parade this year should be larger than in the past, safety appeared to have been an issue, and using the Rumney Animal Hospital would be a better staging area. His observation last year was that the staging area and route lacked organization, safety and control. The parade route that Girouard recommended; stage walkers and vehicles in the parking lot of the Rumney Animal and long the road side just past the Rumney Animal Hospital, the parade would proceed along Quincy Road keeping to the left of the Common ending at the junction of Quincy Road and Main Street.

Currently, walkers stage on Mill Road and most vehicles stage at White Mountain Fiberglass. The parade proceeds along Stinson Lake Road. At the Common, walkers can disperse either to the church parking lot or the Common. The trailer carrying the band would park alongside the common, and other vehicles and floats would continue down Main Street, either leaving town or parking in the fields past the bridge. Chief Miller stated two officers could handle the traffic using this parade route.

Chief Miller's concerns of the proposed new route include; line of site for vehicles staging at or exiting the Rumney Animal Hospital due to the corner in the area of the Buttolph's property, the parade going through the junction of Quincy and Main Street, making the corner off Quincy

Road onto Main Street, and the need for additional officers for traffic. It was also discussed that several people might watch the parade along the old route in the area of the village store.

Armand Girouard agreed that it seems like the parade route should stay the way it has been, and indicated he would report this back to the 250<sup>th</sup> Committee. Girouard also stated that the committee would assist with the staging areas, the area by the Common, and the end of the parade.

**7:15 PM** Ed Doggett requested to meet with the Board. Doggett reported that he feels there have been some inconsistencies with the reported size and value of his property, Map 2 Lot 0217. This goes back ten years or more. The Board members reviewed the deeds and property cards in the property file. The Board asked that the deeds be forwarded to CNP for their review and input.

**7:30 PM** Peter Jackson and Dave Quinn, of the Rumney Climber's Association (RCA), requested to meet with the Board. They reported that last year's Rendezvous was a success. Recently, the RCA purchased the former Zielinsky property (Map 12 Lot 0101) located on Buffalo Road. This purchase had been a goal of the RCA. It is their hope to place a parking lot on this property, reducing the number of walkers and parked vehicles along the road. And, in the future, to place a toilet on the property. The overall goal is to connect the hiking trails to the climbing area. Jackson indicated that creating a parking lot would require establishing a driveway off Buffalo Road. It was suggested to include input from neighbors, Rumney Fire, Rumney EMS, and Rumney Police. Board members recommended Jackson to speak with Road Agent, Frank Simpson, about the driveway location. The input from the various departments should assist with the driveway permit process.

The RCA is planning a second annual Rendezvous Labor Day Weekend 2017. Selectman, Mark Andrew, asked if the RCA would post a traffic advisory on their website for the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration weekend.

**8:05 PM** The 2017-2018 contracts to provide Fire Department coverage, EMS coverage, and Transfer Station use to the towns of Groton, Dorchester, and Ellsworth were provided to the Board for Review. The format is the same as it has been for the past several years, adjusting for the operational costs. Upon review the Board members signed the agreement and authorized the contracts to be mailed to the appropriate contractual towns.

**8:10 PM** A Personnel Action Form authorizing the hiring to fill the vacancy in the Rumney Highway Department was reviewed and signed. A conditional hiring of Steven Tallman was authorized by the Board.

**8:15 PM** Sealed bids to replace the roof of the Historical Building were due by 2:00 PM January 23, 2017. Two sealed bids were received. Board members opened and reviewed the proposals. Chairman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to accept the low bid of \$24,750.00 submitted by Joe

Santamaria, upon the condition that he provide start and finish dates and comply with the RFP. Selectman, Mark Andrew, seconded the motion. No further discussion, the motion passed 2-0.

A public hearing will be scheduled for February 20, 2017 to use funds from the Town Facilities Capital Reserve Fund to complete this project.

**8:30 PM** At the last meeting the Board had request that Tax Collector, Paulette Bowers, provide updated information on the Delinquent Tax list and Payment Plan status. Both documents were provided for review. No actions were required at this time.

**8:40 PM** A draft version of the proposed 2017, Warrant Articles and Budget were given to the Board members for review and input. This draft version is still under review by town council and NH-DRA. Prior to the Public Budget Hearing the expenditure column will be updated, warrant article numbers will be assigned to the budget items and a revenue sheet will be added to packet.

The Rumney Fire Department provided a proposed training agreement for the Board's review. This item will be addressed at a later date.

Proposed events list provided by the 250<sup>th</sup> Committee was provided for review.

December 2016 end Treasurer's Report was provided for review.

**9:05 PM New Business**

- Selectman, Mark Andrew, gave a brief overview of the grant writer projection of funding. It is thought if a grant covering 95% of a school building project is gained, a building project could start in the 2018-2019 budget cycle.
- Groton Wind provided a packet with updated information of the wind farm. Copies of diagrams and telephone numbers will be kept on file at the town office. The packet will be shared with Rumney Fire Department and Rumney EMS.

**9:10 PM Old Business**

- The emergency Operation Plan update is continuing. The next scheduled meeting is February 9, 2017.
- No new information has been received from Neil McIver concerning the School Street Culvert project.

9:20 PM Chairman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Selectman, Mark Andrew, seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed 2-0.

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell  
Administrative Assistant  
Town of Rumney

**Upcoming events:**

Planning Board Meeting	January 31, 2017
Trustee of Trust Fund Meeting	February 1, 2017
Public Budget Hearing	February 6, 2017
Pemi-Baker Deliberative Session	February 7, 2017
Russell School Deliberative Session	February 8, 2017
Cemetery Trustee Meeting	February 8, 2017
Rumney EOP Meeting	February 9, 2017