

**Town of Rumney
Board of Selectmen
March 6, 2017
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

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

6:30 PM Meeting called to order

- Payroll and accounts payable checks reviewed and signed

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the February 20, 2017. Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to accepted the minutes as corrected. Selectman, Mark Andrew, seconded the motion. No discussion on the motion. Motion passed 2-0

6:40 PM The following utilities have filed an Abatement request with Rumney: NHEC, Eversource, Northern New England Telephone Operations. Copies of the abates have been forwarded to the office of George Sansoucy, whom Rumney contracts with to handle utility issues. Eight other property owners had filed abatement requests prior to the March 1, 2017, deadline. Two of the larger valued properties included in the eight requests were Eagle Point Development Group and Beau Reve Realty. All eight requests will be forwarded to CNP for review.

6:50 PM A draft version of a proposed agreement allowing Wentworth to send their town's recyclables to the Rumney Transfer Station was reviewed. After a minor grammatical change, all Board members agreed to forward the agreement to Wentworth. Transfer Station Superintendent, Milton "Sonny" Ouellette, reported that Wentworth will be discussing this matter at their Town Meeting.

7:00 PM Public Forum – No public input

Continued with Administrative Assistant Report

- Correspondence from the Town Attorney shared with the Board.
- Correspondence for NH-DOT concerning the bridge over the Creamery Brook on Old Route 25. NH-DOT reports the weight limitation signs for the bridge are covered by over grown brush. The Board asked that this information be passed on the Road Agent, Frank Simpson, with a request to clear the area around the sign.
- Town Reports are available and were distributed to the Board members. Copies had also been placed in the mailboxes for the department heads.

- Copies of the Town Warrant have been posted at the Town Office, both inside and outside, at the Russell School kiosk, Rumney Post Office.
- Selectmen's Election Day Poll coverage was discussed. Bob Berti will cover 8:00 am to noon, Ed Haskell will cover noon to 4:00 pm, and Mark Andrew will cover 4:00 pm until the ballots are counted.
- Presentation of the warrant articles during Town Meeting was discussed. It will be handled much like the Public Budget Hearing. Selectman, Mark Andrew, will discuss the format with Town Moderator, Jim Buttolph. There will be a need to amend the amount for the Landfill warrant article from \$500.00 to \$2540.00. This is based on the information that came in to the Board, from Tom Duffield, after the Public Budget Hearing.
- A sample of the ballot to be used on Election Day was made available for review.
- Arrangements to have NH-DOT view the intersections of Main Street and Quincy Road are still in the works. Selectman, Bob Berti, stated that, although he became part of the Board mid discussion of the placement of the gazebo, he feels that the Water Street end of the common is the best location to place the proposed gazebo. His reasoning is; line of site issues and its aesthetic correctness, this is his personal and professional reasoning. The gathering of input from the public was just that, and not a vote.
- The annual joint meeting of the Select Board and the Planning Board for legal updates is scheduled for March 27, 2017, at 6:00PM.

7:45 PM

Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to suspend the Board of Selectmen Meeting in order to hold a Public Hearing on the Use of Capital Reserve Funds to complete the Historical Society Roof Replacement Project. Selectman, Bob Berti, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to open the Public Hearing on the Use of Capital Reserve Funds to complete the Historical Roof Replacement Project. Selectman, Bob Berti, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The current balance in the Town Facilities Improvement Fund is \$66,755.87. The low bid, by Joe Santamaria Construction, was \$24,750.00. This results in a remain balance in the Town Facilities Capital Reserve Fund of \$42,005.87.

Tom Wallace asked if painting the building was still being considered. Selectman, Ed Haskell, indicated the RFP for painting the Historical Building will be posted in a few weeks. The time line is to complete the roof replacement and schedule the painting immediately after.

The color of the shingle being used was discussed. It was determined to ask the contractor, Joe Santamaria, to match the color of the Byron Merrill Library roof as close as possible.

Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to use \$24,750.00 from the Facility Improvement Capital Reserve fund to complete the Rumney Historical Society Building Roof Replacement Project. The Motion was seconded by Selectman, Bob Berti. There was no additional discussion. The motion passed 3-0.

7:55 PM Kathy Grabiek entered the Board meeting. Grabiek asked for the status of the NH-DOT visit to the Rumney Common concerning the proposed gazebo placement. Selectman, Ed Haskell, explained that he initially contacted someone in Concord. Haskell was then directed to Chris Turgeon, State Engineer, for this region. At this point it just waiting to see when Turgeon is available to make a site visit. Grabiek indicated that she had also contacted the State to get a site visit.

Kathy Grabiek asked about a proclamation for the 250th Celebration. The Board indicated they would ask Kevin Maes if he could work on that issue.

Selectman, Bob Berti, was unclear why Kathy Grabiek had contacted NH-DOT when it was made clear at the last meeting that the Board of Selectmen would handle contacting NH-DOT.

Also, concerning the visit to the common, the Board asked the Administrative Assistant to ask Brad Eaton if he was available to re-stake the proposed Main Street gazebo area, prior to Turgeon's visit.

8:05 PM Selectman, Mark Andrew, made a motion to enter into Non-public session, under 91-A:3, II(a) for a personnel issue. Selectman, Ed Haskell, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

8:20 PM Selectman, Mark Andrew, made a motion to leave Non-public session and re-enter public session. Selectman, Ed Haskell, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Selectman, Mark Andrew, made a motion to seal the Non-public session for two months. Selectman, Ed Haskell, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

8:25 PM Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to adjourn. Selectman, Mark Andrew, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell
Administrative Assistant
Town of Rumney

Upcoming events:

Conservation Commission	March 9, 2017
Town Elections	March 14, 2017
Town Meeting	March 16, 2017
Selectmen's Meeting	March 20, 2017
Fire Commission Meeting	March 13, 2017
Planning Board/Selectmen	March 27, 2017