

**Town of Rumney
Board of Selectmen
March 20, 2017
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

Present: Select Board Members- Ed Haskell, Robert Berti, George Bonfiglio
Administrative Assistant - Joe Chivell

6:30 PM Meeting called to order

Newly elected Select Board Member, George Bonfiglio was given copies of the Rumney Employee Handbook and chapters from the NHMA Knowing the Territory covering Selectmen.

A brief introduction was made between the members of the Board. Selectman, Bob Berti, offered a brief history of past Rumney Select Boards and how a Board is set up to have authority as a Board and not individually.

This being the first Select Board meeting since Town Meeting a Chairman needed to be selected. George Bonfiglio made a motion to have Ed Haskell be the Chairman of the Rumney Select Board. Bob Berti seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed.

The Board members discussed who would be liaison to each town department. Selectman Ed Haskell will be the liaison to: EMS, Emergency Management, Fire Department, Health Officer, and Police Department.

Selectman Bob Berti will be the liaison to: Highway Department and Transfer Station.

Selectman George Bonfiglio will be the liaison to: Administrative Assistant, Planning Board and Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

Updated signature cards were completed for the town's checking account. The transition from Northway Bank to Woodville Guaranty Savings Bank is almost complete. The last phase in the changeover will be closing the sweep account at Northway and moving the funds to Woodville Guaranty Savings Bank. The primary benefit in this move is that Woodville offers a better interest rate and a higher level of protecting of town's funds.

Selectman, Bob Berti, made a motion to allow Administrative Assistant, Joe Chivell, to close the Northway Bank Sweep account and to transfer the funds into the Woodville Guaranty Savings Bank account. Selectman, Ed Haskell, seconded the motion. No discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The 2017 MS-232 for the Department of Revenue was reviewed, explained and signed by the three members of the Board.

The 2017-2018 agreement with CAI Technologies was available for review. CAI Technologies is the company that handles the tax map changes and printing of the new maps. There was no change in the cost of their services. The agreement was signed by all three members of the Board.

Town Clerk, Paulette Bowers, had reported that there was only one elected position with a vacancy. That position was Trustee of Trust Funds. No one had filed to fill the position. There were several write in candidates, none with more than two votes. Bowers had requested guidance from the board as to how to go about filling that position. The Board agreed that the Town Clerk should call down through the list of write in candidates to ask who would be willing and able to full the three position of Trustee of Trust Funds.

The position as representative for the Depot on the Advisory Committee went unfilled during the Town Meeting. At this point it will remain unfilled.

The oath of office to re-new the appointment of part-time officer Kevin Maes was reviewed and signed by all three members of the Board.

Administrative Assistant Report:

Minutes of the March 6, 2017, Select Board Meeting were made available for the Board to review. Upon review Selectman, Bob Berti, made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Selectman, Ed Haskell, seconded the motion. There was no discussion of the motion. The motioned passed 2-0. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, abstained from the vote as he was not at the March 6, 2017, meeting.

A request to cut trees on East Rumney Road from NH Electric Co-op Utility Arborist, Scott Knapp, was presented to the Board. East Rumney Road is a Scenic Road and requires authorization before the NH Electric Co-op can cut trees, in a non-emergency situation. The list of trees was given to the Select Board and the Planning Board. There are eight trees on the list the Co-op would like to cut. Rumney Road Agent, Frank Simpson, accompanied Knapp during his review of

East Rumney Road. Simpson agreed with the need to remove all the trees that were listed on the request. East Rumney Road is currently posted limiting heavy trucks / equipment from traveling on the roadway. The Board agreed that the trees listed could be cut after road ban is lifted.

A letter was sent to the Board from Brenda & Rick Hammar of 23 Anderson Road, Rumney, concerning the lack of a "STOP" sign at the intersection of Post Office Lane and School Street. After a brief discussion, which included that Post Office Lane is a privately owned and maintained way, it was decided to have letter forwarded to the Police Department and the Highway Department for their input. If it is decided that a sign and post is needed a letter will be sent to the landowner concerning the placement of a stop sign and post being placed on his property.

Administrative Assistant, Joe Chivell, submitted a purchase order to have the finance computer replaced. The cost of replacing the finance computer was included in the 2017 operating budget. The purchase order as reviewed and signed.

The Safety Committee will hold its quarterly meeting at the Byron Merrill Library March 22, 2017. The Department of Labor will be in Rumney to re-inspect the areas that were still out of compliance during the prior follow up compliance inspection. The Library has posted the required boiler permit to come into compliance. Fire Chief, David Coursey, reports that all issues that were still out of compliance during the first re-visit have now been corrected and he is ready for the DOL visit on March 31, 2017.

The Town Audit will be during the week of April 10th.

Taxable Property Inventories have been mailed out and are being returned.

Old Business:

Town Meeting Overview – The hand-outs that were made available during Town Meeting night could be revamped next year. They don't need to follow the Annual Report format. The handout could list the warrant with the budget information listed under the warrant wording.

The size of the annual report will be revisited, in hopes to increase the print size of the information in the book.

There has been no feedback from NH-DOT concerning the placement of the gazebo on the common.

New Business:

No new Business

8:10 PM Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Selectman, Bob Berti 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:

Planning Board/Selectmen	March 27, 2017
Cemetery Trustees	April 2, 2017
Select Board Meeting	April 3, 2017
Town Clerks Office closed	April 5, 2017
Fire Commissioners	April 10, 2017
Select Board Meeting	April 17, 2017
Planning Board Meeting	April 25, 2017