

**Town of Rumney  
Board of Selectmen  
May 1, 2017  
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

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

- 6:30 PM Chairman, Ed Haskell, opened the meeting  
Payroll and accounts payable checks reviewed and signed.  
Excavation Intents for 12-11-20-01-01 & 16-4-21 were reviewed and signed.  
Excavation Reports with tax warrants for 12-11-20-01-01, 16-4-21 & 16-4-1 were reviewed and signed by the Board.  
Intent to cut 2-4-1 was reviewed and signed
- 6:40 PM Administrative Assistant Report Started:  
  
On April 27, 2017 staff members from the town office, town clerks' office, transfer station and police department attended CPR and AED training. A follow up training will be scheduled for those who did not attend. During the training a discussion ensued concerning the lack of an AED at the transfer station. This discussion was brought to the Board in the form of a request to be allowed to purchase an AED to be placed at the transfer station. Board members agreed that with the number of residents that visit the transfer station weekly the town should have an AED on site. The Board did want any employee at the transfer station that is not CPR/AED certified to obtain their certification. At that time Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to purchase an AED so that the town office and the town transfer station will be equipped with an AED. Selectman, George Bonfiglio seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 2-0.
- 6:50 PM Selectman, Robert Berti joined the meeting. Town Clerk, Paulette Bowers, requested to meet with the Board. Bowers had two administrative abatements to present to the Board for signature. The abatement for tax map/lot 16-05-15-24 is a camper trailer that the owner showed proof had been registered during the tax year. Abatement for tax map/lot 12-12-10 was the result of a billing error during the years 2015 and 2016 on 15-395-07-T tax warrant. Both abatements were signed.
- 6:55 PM The Board reviewed the minutes of the April 17, 2017 Selectmen's Meeting. Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to accept the meeting minutes. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0, Selectman, Robert Berti abstained from the vote as he was not at the April 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

7:00 PM

Public Forum:

Tom Wallace asked to speak on a few topics;

Tom Wallace commented that the Historical Society Building Roof Project is now complete. Wallace asked when the painting bid would be going out. Selectman, Ed Haskell, stated the bid information to paint the Historical Society Building would be out by next week.

Tom Wallace asked the Board if it would be OK if the Historical Society made some minor repairs to the building, such as replacing the stair treads on the back stairway, repair the railing on the ramp, and having the heat ducts in the basement wrapped with insulation. The Board gave permission to have those items completed by the Historical Society members.

Tom Wallace indicated the LCHIP is holding a grant workshop later this week that he will be attending. He will report back if there is any information that would apply to any projects in Rumney.

Tom Wallace reported that the Historical Society would have copies of the old town map, used to create the new bulletin board on the Historical Society building, for sale. Wallace said they would have a few copies on display, but would primarily work off pre-order sales.

Tom Wallace shared with the Board that the Museum of the White Mountains at PSU would have a showing entitled "Summer Camps" which will include old summer camps from the Rumney area. The Display will start May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Tom Wallace is still researching information on Nathan Clifford. He has located deed information on the Clifford Farm. The deed lacks a lot of information, but he is still tracking down ownership and location of the property. Wallace has made contact with Janet Carper, the great great grand-daughter of Nathan Clifford. Carper was at the plaque dedication in 1948. Carper has sent Wallace a book about Nathan Clifford along with the wording of the plaque that was on the rock, dedicated to Nathan Clifford, on Buffalo Road. Wallace is going to visit Janet Carper towards the end of this month. Wallace indicated the more he researches Nathan Clifford to more impressed he is with all the contributions Clifford made to the nation. With all the information Wallace has gathered he hopes that the National Forest Service would reconsider allowing the plaque to be replaced on the rock, which is on National Forest Service land. If not, perhaps the Rumney Rock Climbers Association would allow the plaque to be placed on the property they have recently purchased.

Selectman, Robert Berti, spoke about the plaque that had been on the watering trough situated in the Rumney common. The plaque was removed 10-15 years ago. Berti would like the history of the trough known and the plaque put back into place.

7:30 PM Linda Kimble, Cemetery Trustee, submitted her resignation as a trustee. The remaining trustees are Kathy Sobetzer and Dwight Lyons. Kathy Sobetzer's term expires in 2018. Sobetzer has determined that she will not be running for re-election as a Cemetery Trustee next year. It would be beneficial to find a replacement for Linda Kimble's position allowing that person to learn what is done, primarily during the summer months, by the trustees. Selectman, Robert Berti, made a motion to accept Linda Kimble's resignation as Cemetery Trustee. Selectman, Ed Haskell, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

7:40 PM The Pemi Solid Waste District requested a letter that indicates who would be the town's representative and alternate to their Board. The Board determined that Milton "Sonny" Ouellette would be the town's representative and Robert Berti would be the alternate.

7:45 PM Lee Nelson sent a letter to the Board concerning the Katherine & John Nelson Scholarship. Nelson asked that the scholarship continue to be active and had enclosed a check to be deposited into the scholarship fund. She also requested that the name of the scholarship be changed to "The John, Katherine, and Dana Nelson Scholarship" to include her husband who has passed away. The Board approved of the request. The check will be mailed to Charter Trust. Plymouth Regional High School will be notified of the change of the scholarship name.

7:50 PM Administrative Assistant Report (continued):

Harassment Policy revision. A copy of a revised Harassment Policy was made available for review. The revised policy has been reviewed and approved by Primex, the town's liability insurer. Upon acceptance of the policy, Primex will provide a class on the policy. The class can be on May 22, 2017 at 3:00PM and 6:00PM. The two classes will allow all town staff to attend. Selectman, Ed Haskell, indicated that training to be a mandatory attendance by all town staff. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, made a motion to accept the revised Harassment Policy and that it be effective May 22, 2017 following the training provided by Primex. Selectman, Ed Haskell, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Follow up on the meeting with the Bruhawachet Sno-Trackers snow mobile club and the use of Lower Doetown Road. Rumney Road Agent, Frank Simpson, indicates he has no issues with the clubs' plan to use the class VI road or the idea of them conducting work on the road.

The Rumney Fire Department had requested town council review a training agreement they sought to use when sending volunteers to costly training, such a Firefighter Level I

training. Town council would recommend against using the training agreement, or any like training agreement, that was forwarded to them. They recommend the town have a period of time someone needs to be a member of the fire department, in this case, before they are allowed to attend a costly training, if membership retention is the focus.

A volunteer fire department member who is attending EMT training in Concord, so he can be part of the Rumney EMS squad, has requested to be paid mileage. EMS Director, Deb Thompson, was contacted about this matter before the meeting. Thompson indicated that Rumney EMS is paying for his EMT class. He did not request to be paid mileage before going to training nor has mileage been paid to anyone that has attended EMT class in the past. Selectman, Robert Berti, clarified that the town was paying for the class. Administrative Assistant, Joe Chivell, stated it was his understanding that the town was paying for the EMT class in full. The Town policy indicated that mileage will be paid to town employees and paid only with pre-authorization. The Board determined that in this case paying for mileage would not fit the town policy. Paying for the class is appropriate.

The town had received a letter from the State of NH – DOT Traffic Bureau, of a plan to remove the yellow flashing caution beacons along Rumney Route 25. Letter against the removal of the caution beacons have been drafted by Representative Brown, Police Chief Miller, and Administrative Assist Joe Chivell, on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, and sent to William R. Lambert Department of Transportation Bureau of Traffic. These letters were reviewed by the Board.

8:10 PM

Old business

Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to go into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3,II (a) and RSA 91-A:3,II (c). Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. No discussion on the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

8:20 PM

Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. No discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to seal the nonpublic minutes indefinitely in that they could adversely affect the reputation of another person, other than a member of this Board. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

8:25 PM

New Business

TH Turnkey has started the spring clean-up. The parking lots and cemeteries that have been done look very good.

8:30 Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to adjourn. Selectman, Robert Berti, Seconded the motion. No further discussion, motion passed 3-0.

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell  
Administrative Assistant  
Town of Rumney

Upcoming events:

May 8, 2017	Fire Commission Meeting
May 10, 2017	Selectmen's Office Closed
May 15, 2017	Board of Selectmen Meeting