

**Town of Rumney  
Board of Selectmen  
October 2, 2017  
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

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

6:30 PM Meeting opened by Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Ed Haskell.  
Payroll and accounts payable checks reviewed for signature.

6:35 PM Nick Coursey – The board met with Nick Coursey to officially offer Coursey the  
Promotion to Rumney Road Agent. Coursey and the Board reviewed and signed  
an employment agreement.

Coursey and the Board then had a follow up discussion on the gravel crushing  
project. Based on the amount of gravel the crushing project would yield the  
Board authorized the Road Agent to use the budgeted about of \$18,000.00 and an  
additional amount of \$6,000.00, \$3,000.00 from summer maintenance and  
\$3,000.00 from outside labor, to move forward on the project.

Coursey asked the Board if he could build a salt shed, primarily using material the  
Highway Department has on hand. Currently winter salt is stored in the old town  
shed. Most of the cost would come from putting down an asphalt pad and putting  
on a metal roof. The Board approved spending up to \$1,500.00 to construct a salt  
shed at the highway department.

Coursey asked about a meeting with the Rumney Road Committee. Selectman,  
Bob Berti, the liaison between the Board and the Highway Department stated that  
meeting can be set in the near future.

7:00 PM Public Forum:  
During the Public Forum an open hearing was held to take input on the SB38  
Highway Block Grant. The funding became available this year as an unexpected  
revenue source. The funds must be used on a road project, that was not already  
planned to be completed. Funds cannot be placed into a capital reserve and must  
be used by the end of calendar year 2018.

Sarah Campbell and Sheila Bonfiglio spoke with the Board about a request to  
have a port-a-toilet place in the center of town. They stated that business owners  
in the center of town are being asked by high volume of visitors to use their  
bathroom and a place to wash up. They also stated that the demographics of the  
visitors to Rumney is changing.

Selectman, Bob Berti, understood the request, but had a concern that a public restroom with running water would be costly. It would mean having the building that meets standards and would require daily maintenance. Selectman, Berti, stated the port-a-toilet would need to be placed somewhere visible enough so there wasn't vandalism, but hidden enough so it wasn't in anyone's front door.

Sheila Bonfiglio stated that summer is the busiest time and perhaps start with a rented port-a-toilet.

Placement and budgeting will be discussed during an upcoming Selectmen's meeting.

7:30 PM There was no input on the SB 38 Highway Block funding. Chairman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to accept the funding and to target a project to use the funds on during the 2018 calendar year. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

7:35 PM Nonpublic Session – Chairman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3, II (a) and RSA 91-A:3, II(c). The motion was seconded by Selectman, Bob Berti. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

8:25 PM Chairman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to leave non-public session and return to public session. The motion was seconded by Selectman, Bob Berti. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Chairman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to seal the nonpublic indefinitely as they may adversely affect the reputation of any 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.

8:30 PM Administrative Assistant Report –

Intent to Cut Reports were signed for Map 2 Lot 0408

Septic system designs for Map 8 Lot 0608 and Map 2 Lot 0309-01 were reviewed and signed.

The Safety Committee met on September 27, 2017. The committee was restructured to meet the three Department Head and three Employee standard that is required by committee's policy. The new committee is made of: Department Heads – Police Chief, Brett Miller, Fire Chief David Coursey, and Transfer Station Superintendent Sonny Ouellette. The three employees – Janet Sherburn (Police Department), Steve Tallman (Highway Department), and Lila Williams (Town Clerk / Tax Collectors Office). Administrative Assistant will be the Board of Selectmen designee.

The Safety Committee budget was also discussed. Personal safety equipment will be moved out of the Safety Committee's budget and into the appropriate department budget.

The board approved the restructure of the Safety Committee and the reassignment of budget items.

The Police Department requested that the Rumney Halloween Hours for 2017 be on October 31, between 5:00 PM and 7:30 PM. The Board approved of these hours.

An overview of the Gazebo and Old Home Day budgets had been requested by the Board for reviewed. Both items came in well under budget.

- 8:40 PM Old Business –  
The Nathan Clifford and Coos Road Plaque Ceremony went very well. The Board wanted to note a thank you to Tom and Kathy Wallace, in the meeting minutes, for all the work they did leading up to the plaque ceremony.
- 8:45 PM New Business –  
A list of upcoming free trainings available to the town department from Primex of NH was given to the Board; it included a solid waste class for the Transfer Station, a snow plow liability class for the Highway Department and a Supervisor's academy for new supervisors. The Board would like both the Road Agent and the Police Chief to attend the Supervisor's Academy next spring.
- 8:50 Chairman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman, Bob Berti. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell  
Administrative Assistant  
Rumney, New Hampshire

Upcoming Events

October 9, 2017	Fire Commissioners Meeting
October 16, 2017	Selectmen's Meeting
October 31, 2017	Halloween Hours 5:00pm – 7:30PM
October 31, 2017	Planning Board Meeting