TOWN OF RUMNEY
PLANNING BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 29, 2015

Present: Jerry Thibodeau, David Saad, David Coursey, Steve Weber, Cheryl Lewis, alternate Tom Ambrose sitting for Carl Spring and alternate Ken Weinig sitting for Brian Flynn.

Absent: Carl Spring and Brian Flynn

Chairman Jerry Thibodeau opened the meeting at 7:02 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: The minutes of September 8, 2015 were approved as written with Dave Coursey abstaining.

Budget: Adding a phone line that will access the meeting room was discussed. This phone would serve three departments – a roll over for the Administrative Assistant, the Planning Board and Emergency Management. A two-line phone would be purchased and a battery backup for the phone system to ensure service during power outages. A monthly phone charge of $10.00 has been added to the budget to cover 2016 should this be approved.

Legal expenses were discussed to provide monies when the subdivision regulations are reviewed by the town attorney. D. Saad felt the Planning Board should have a line item for legal, however, the legal account has in the past been for all departments and the majority of the Board wanted it to remain as such.

Offsetting income against expenses was discussed. Municipal accounting does not allow for this – the revenue items show as such and the expenses show as such.

Steve Weber made a motion to accept the proposed budget as viewed, Tom Ambrose seconded and a unanimous vote was taken to present the budget to the Selectmen.

Petition: A petition had been received from nine residents on Groton Hollow Road regarding the blasting at CNHA gravel pit. The town attorney had reviewed the petition and found no reason to take action. The Selectmen’s response was reviewed stating there was nothing the town could legally do. Dave Coursey spoke of the working relationship he has with Blasek and the fact they have gone beyond our regulations to work with more notifications than the town requires. He also is present at every blast.

Driveways: Richard and Deborah Kelly have withdrawn their driveway application for Stone Hill Road. Frosty and Katherine Sobetzer wish to have a final approval for their driveway on East Rumney Road and make it a permanent entrance.

CIP: The Fire Department provided lease information from E-One for replacing a fire engine. There are new regulations that provide yearly certifications for the engines to extend their life up to 20 years as opposed to the previous 15-year life span.

A price of $18,025 to build an addition to the fire station was reviewed. This price includes everything except wiring and heat.
Subdivision regulation updates: Tom A. made a motion to table the updates until the 13th of October, seconded by Steve and unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Clerk