Selectmen: Ed Haskell, Dan Kimble, Cheryl Lewis
Administrative Assistant: Anne Dow
Clerk: Diana Kindell

Chairman Ed Haskell opened the meeting at 6:05 pm.

The minutes of January 26, 2015 were approved as written.

Resident’s Forum: Ray Valentin came before the Board to let them know he is moving from the area and must step down as Emergency Management Director. He will do an inventory of equipment he has, deliver it to the Fire Chief and both will sign off with a copy provided to Anne. The Board accepted his resignation and thanked him for his services.

Administrative:

1. Fuel Purchases: Ed entertained a motion to seek alternative routes for fuel purchases to get a better price for the town vehicles. He further suggested Yeaton Oil and explained the process for self-fueling of vehicles at their location on Route 3. The Board discussed the security and billing procedures that Yeaton has in place.

Dan made a motion to complete the sign up process with Yeaton Oil, seconded by Ed and agreed to by all.

2. Capital Improvement Plan: The Planning Board will be updating the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) this year. The purpose of the CIP is for long term planning and stability of the tax rate. The Selectmen have some recommendations for the plan and will discuss them further with the Planning Board when they meet with them. The Planning Board has scheduled meetings throughout the year with all departments heads as part of their CIP update. The Selectmen were given a list of the meetings.

3. Highway Dept.: Time-Warner had been contacted to install internet and cable at the highway garage.

4. Fire/EMS Contracts: Groton has signed and returned their contracts for 2015 providing fire and EMS coverage for this side of their town.

5. Police Dept: The Police department in conjunction with Rumney Animal Hospital will be holding a rabies’ clinic on March 21st between 1:00 and 3:00 pm. There is a $15.00 charge.

An ad for a full-time officer will be on the web site and in the local papers.

6. USFS: Steve Lindsey acknowledged the changes made to the minutes regarding the ice conditions on Buffalo Road and has forwarded them accordingly.

7. Comstar 2015 Rate Change: This will be revisited at the next meeting.
8. **2006 Dump body**: A bid sheet will be compiled for the dump body that was removed from the 2006 Ford F550 with a $500 minimum bid requested.

9. **Buffalo Road Bridge**: The Geotechnical and Hydrologic/Hydraulic assessments have been completed by HEB Engineers and the reports received.

**Public Budget Hearing:**

At 7:00 pm Dan made a motion to leave public meeting and enter into the public hearing. Cheryl seconded the motion and all agreed. Ed did note the fire exits and location of rest rooms as required by State Law.

See separate minutes for hearing.

At 8:55 pm Ed made a motion to adjourn the public hearing, seconded by Cheryl and agreed to. Ed then made a motion to reenter their regular meeting, seconded by Dan and agreed to by all.

**Selectmen:**

**Policies**: Both the Training Agreement and the Compensatory Time Agreement were accepted by the Board. The Tax Deeded Property Policy still needs further review.

**Scholarship Committee**: Robin Bagley is still compiling information for this year’s scholarship and will contact Ed when she has completed this project.

**State Septic changes**: Changes to the state septic requirements were reviewed with a local property in question. Presently there is no one living in the home in question.

**Non-Public Session**: At 9:40 pm Ed made a motion to enter non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 II(b), seconded by Dan and agreed to review resumes for the Administrative Assistant position. No decisions were made. At 9:55 pm Ed made a motion to leave non-public session, seconded by Dan and agreed to.

**Signed**: Checks;

**Upcoming**:  
02/16 Selectmen’s Meeting  
02/24 Planning Board – Annual Municipal Law Update w/Bernie Waugh  
03/02 Selectmen’s Meeting – Resident’s forum  
03/10 Town Elections & Voting on School Budgets – Russell Elementary School  
  8:00 am – 7:00 pm  
03/12 Town Meeting – Russell Elementary School 7:00 pm  
03/16 Selectmen’s Meeting  
03/31 PB Meeting w/Selectmen to lay ground work for CIP

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell  
Clerk