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Selectmen’s meeting
MINUTES
04-20-2015

Selectmen: Ed Haskell, Cheryl Lewis, Dan Kimble
Administrative Assistant: Joe Chivell

Chairman Ed Haskell opened the meeting at 6:30p.m.

Linda Whitcomb, Town of Rumney Tax Collector requested to meet with the Board.
6:33p.m. Ed Haskell made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Motion seconded by Dan Kimble. Motion passed 3-0
7:20p.m. Dan Kimble made a motion to leave non-public session and return to public session. Motion seconded by Cheryl Lewis. Motion passed 3-0
No action taken during non-public session

Sonny Ouellette, Town of Rumney Transfer Station Superintendent requested to meet with the Board.
7:23p.m. Cheryl Lewis made a motion to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(b) Motion seconded by Dan Kimble. Motion Passed 3-0
7:43p.m. Dan Kimble made a motion to leave non-public session and return to public session. Motion seconded by Cheryl Lewis. Motion passed 3-0
7:44 Ed Haskell made a motion to authorize the hire of Andrew Kimble as a part-time employee of the Rumney Transfer Station. Motion seconded by Cheryl Lewis. Dan Kimble abstained from the vote. Motion passed 2-0

Library Addition: Select Board reviewed the Note agreement from the Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank to fund the renovations to the town library. Members of the Library Trustees were present. The principal sum of the Note is $217,000.00 and carries a rate of 2.1250 per cent annum according to the terms of this note. At the 04-06-2015 Selectmen’s meeting a motion to accept this Note had been passed. At this time all three Selectboard members and Roger Daniels, Library Trustee, signed the agreement. Town Treasurer, Rita Wilkin, will view and sign the agreement on 04-21-2015.

It was further discussed that Bank checks will be requested from Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank as needed to pay for the contracted work at the library.

CAI Technologies Proposed contract for tax map maintenance was reviewed by the Board. Discussion regarding PDF versions of the tax map resulted in a need for further information. This will be gathered and made available at the next Selectmen’s meeting.

Chief Miller – PD update: A recent tire issue with the 2010 was resolved without the need to make a purchase.

The 2015 cruiser has been delivered. Decaling of the new cruiser should happen next week and the equipment install very soon.
Up-date given on the hiring process, 4 applicants remain. Boards of review, resident and law enforcement, are set for May 8th and May 20th. This will be followed by p/t tests, background checks, and other processes as needed.

An overview of a Taser replacement grant was shared with the board. This grant could be used to replace the current equipment that is starting to age. Discussions of the best way to fund this piece of equipment along with other equipment needs could be at some point addressed by a reserve account being started. Additional information and discussion will follow at up-coming meetings.

Information was shared on refurbished computers / tablets for the cruiser. Software should not be an issue.

Follow up on the discussion of a uniformed speed limit on all town roads. Approximately 40 speed signs would be needed. Currently the sign cost is $19.75 per sign through the State Prison Sign Shop. It is thought the posts’ for the sign would be in the $20-$22 range. A complete count of posts needed was not available at this time. The Chief has spoke with Frank Simpson at the Highway Department, the purchase and placement of signs should work out to be a joint effort.

A discussion followed surrounding the level of enforcement, the reason to lower the speed on the town roads, being short staffed and learning curve attached to the speed limits. It was determined that a uniformed speed limit of 25MPH on town roads would affect driving habits in a positive way, address choice of roads used by motorist, and address safety with the proper balance of enforcement.

The department’s activity shows a dramatic increase, but the Chief stated much of that has to do with more accurate documentation of service related calls.

Minutes of the 04-06-2015 reviewed, Ed Haskell made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. The motion seconded by Cheryl Lewis. Motion passed 3-0

Administrative

At this time there have been no applications received for the vacancy at the Highway Department.

Two applications have been received for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector position.

Briefed the Board that I had been invited to the last Fire Commissioners meeting and that hope I can visit them again. This along with scheduling department head meetings will help with keeping open lines of communications.

A septic system design had been delivered for the N. Kolb property. The design was reviewed, approved, and signed by the Chair of the Selectboard.

A brief overview of the meeting with the auditors was given. Issues they feel need to be addressed are the current financial software used, purchase orders on all large purchases, purchase orders or a tracking system on restricted accounts, capital asset threshold to be in the area of $5,000.00

A summary of the Sand Hill Cemetery land gift was given. Contact with the Conservation Committee will be made to assist with the process.
A Disqualification of Current Use was reviewed and signed by the Board.

An update of information received, so far, from Lakes Region Dispatch was given. A copy of completed contract had been sent out by Lakes Region for our files. The Chief at Lakes Region had called to clarify that the information request would be gathered and sent covering the calendar year 2014 and 2015 to date.

A letter from the Board of Tax and Land Appeals was reviewed. The history of this case will be gathered and an attempt to set up a meeting will be made.

The Board was made aware that forms to request the reimbursement of any gas tax money spent will be submitted after December 31, 2015. This is only for fuel not purchased at the State pumps.

Emergency Management Director asked that I update the board 1) the MOU had been signed for the SAU 48 and returned to us 2) the white board style map had been delivered 3) that Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant to update the Hazard Mitigation Plan has a 25% match requirement. This was not noted in prior minutes and should be noted in public minutes.

Notice of Intent to Excavate had been submitted and were signed

The computer at the Highway Garage is working. Dan Kimble stated that the computer needs 2010 municipal Microsoft Office software. Ed Haskell made a motion to purchase the software needed. The motion was seconded by Cheryl Lewis. Motion passed 3-0

Motion to adjourn was made by Chairman Ed Haskell at 11:20 p.m. Motion received a second by Cheryl Lewis. Motion passed 3-0

Signed: 04-20-2015 checks; Intent to excavate K. Morrell; Intent to excavate M. Latulippe; Septic system N. Kolb; Veteran Exemption E. Kleiner; Intent to Cut M. Latulippe; Intent to Cut G. Sanborn; Current Use Application E. Allen

Upcoming: Joe on vacation 04-24 thru 05-01
04-28-2015 Planning Board Meeting
05-04-2015 Selectboard Meeting – Resident’s forum
05-12-2015 Planning Board
05-18-2015 Selectboard Meeting
05-26-2015 Planning Board with Bernie Waugh

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell
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Rumney Board of Selectmen