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

6:00 PM Nonpublic session as allowed under RSA 91-A:3, II(c). Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3 (c). Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

6:35 PM Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.
Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to seal the nonpublic session minutes indefinitely as they could adversely affect the reputation of a person, other than a Board member. Selectman, Bob Berti, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

6:35 PM The public meeting was held at the Rumney Town Office and was opened by Selectman, Ed Haskell. Payroll and accounts payable checks reviewed for signature.

6:40 PM The Board met with Road Agent, Nick Coursey to discuss the proposed TOWN OF RUMNEY, NEW HAMPSHIRE WINTER AND INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY AND PRIORITIES. The discussion to accept the policy lead to a discussion of reviewing drives ways used in conjunction with Intents to Cut. Board would like to have any newly signed Intents to Cut forwarded to the Road Agent. The Road Agent will then check the area and inform the Board if a Road Bond should be required.

Following the policy discussion, Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to adopt the “TOWN OF RUMNEY, NEW HAMPSHIRE WINTER AND INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY AND PRIORITIES” document. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Board of Selectmen and the Road Agent agreed to move forward on the TOWN OF RUMNEY, NEW HAMPSHIRE ORDINANCE TO PREVENT HAZARDS TO PUBLIC SAFETY ON TOWN ROADS. A public hearing to adopt the ordinance will be held on April 2, 2018.

Road Agent, Nick Coursey, reported that the frost is coming out of the road fast and the dirt roads are getting muddy. He asked to be allowed to post usual
roads. The Board agreed with the request. The Road Agent can allow trucks to pass on posted roads, if the weather is cold enough.

Coursey stated he would like to talk to the logger handling the operation on the west end of Old Route 25 about cutting a few of the large pines along the roadway. The Board indicated they were ok with this request as long as the property owner and the logger were in agreement.

7:00 PM Public Forum-
There was no one present to speak to the Board during this time.

Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to suspend the Board of Selectmen’s Meeting to hold a Public Hearing on the Keno Warrant Article, as required by the State Law governing the adoption of Keno. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Town moderator, Jim Buttolph, attended the public hearing to prepare for the Keno warrant article at Town Meeting.

There was no one in attendance for the public hearing. A basic overview was given, consisting of: funds raised by Keno go towards the state-wide funding of all-day kindergarten. If the town doesn’t allow Keno it will have no effect of Rumney receiving funding. The Keno warrant article requires the public hearing prior to Town Meeting and a secret ballot vote during Town Meeting.

7:10 PM Selectman, Bob Berti, made a motion to close the public hearing and rejoin the posted Selectmen’s meeting. Selectman, Ed Haskell, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

7:15 PM Administrative Assistant Report –
• The Draft version of the Select Board meeting minutes for January 22, 2018, and February 5, 2018, were reviewed. Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to accept both sets of meeting minutes. Selectman, George Bonfiglio, seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.
• Draft of mowing bid was reviewed. Board asked that the duration between mowing be lengthened. The notice to bid will be posted and one ad will run in the Plymouth Record Enterprise.
• Veteran’s Exemptions were singed for 13-03-19 and 07-02-15.
• Septic system design was reviewed and signed.
• The Board was advised of a request for a Tax Deferment. The document was reviewed and will be passed along to the town’s assessing company.

7:25 PM Andy Casler, of the Rumney Climbers Association, has asked to meet with the
Board of Selectmen. Casler provided paperwork showing that the RCA was a 501:C-3 organization, therefore looking to be tax exempt. There was a brief discussion concerning the added work that the climbers and hikers place on the emergency services of the town along with the parking issues that are created along Buffalo Road. Casler explained it was the RCA’s hope that the parking lot they just created would lessen the parking issues along the road. Selectmen, Ed Haskell and Bob Berti, both explained that the size of the parking will be inadequate within a year.

Prior to meeting with the Board, Andy Casler had mentioned that the RCA may be interested in creating a PILOT agreement with the town, but he had not met with his board as of yet.

7:45 PM Nonpublic session – Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3, II(c). The motion was seconded by Selectman, George Bonfiglio. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

8:35 PM Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session. The motion was seconded by selectman, George Bonfiglio. There was no discussion on this motion. The motion passed 3-0.

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

8:40 PM Old Business – Reminder of the times to cover the polls on election day.

Selectman, Ed Haskell, made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by selectman, George Bonfiglio. There was no discussion on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Sincerely submitted,

Joe Chivell
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Town of Rumney

Approved version March 5, 2018 Board of Selectmen meeting minutes
Up-coming events

03/12/2018  Fire Commissioners Meeting
03/13/2018  Town Election at Russell School
03/15/2018  Town Meeting at Russell School
03/19/2018  Selectmen’s Meeting