

TOWN OF RUMNEY
PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
MARCH 25, 2015

Present: Gerard Thibodeau, Rob Arey, Steve Weber, Cheryl Lewis as Selectmen Liaison, Carl Spring, David Coursey, Brian Flynn and David Saad Alternate.

Absent: David Landseadel, Alternate

David Coursey acting Vice-Chairman opened the meeting at 7:10 pm.

The following positions were voted upon:

Chairman:	Gerard Thibodeau
Vice chairman:	Steve Weber
Secretary:	Brian Flynn

Committees:

RDU/Driveways:	Rob Arey and David Coursey
Excavation:	Rob Arey

Jerry Thibodeau took over the meeting at this time.

The minutes of February 25, 2014 were approved as written.

Racine: Eric Racine had left a message with the Fire Chief, Dave Coursey a couple of weeks ago that he had completed the burn as required on his property. Dave will stop by and confirm this and report back to the Clerk.

Blasting Regulations/Excavation Regulations: As two members have not read these it was suggested they be emailed to all members. The previous members had no further problem with the Blasting Regulations and confirmed it was alright to proceed with a hearing.

Excavation: The annual report of excavated materials has been received from Greg Sanborn. Carl stated he wanted to see Ken Morrell's when it arrives. He has started the reclamation process in one area – the benching and sloping of the pit walls. The Lonigro pit should be almost finished and Rob will keep watch for reclamation in that area. Mr. Lonigro no longer resides in town.

“Warm seeding” was discussed and information was provided. This allows for certain grass seeds to be used directly on sand and gravel without a loam base.

The excavating for “loam” removal was discussed. David Saad questioned how you can require 6” of loam be left, but also allow “warm seeding” practice within a pit. How do you control this? The loam removal and pit excavation are two different procedures and the Board would have to monitor the site of loam removal.

Selectmen Correspondence: A letter of approval for a wine, beer and liquor license for the Common Café & Antiques LLC was sent to the NH State Liquor Commission. This also allows for extending hours at the Café. Dave Coursey recently did a safety inspection for the dining sections of the building. There is one remaining tenant on the top floor of the apartment portion of the building. Another unit is being discontinued as it has only one egress, but will be used for a bathroom facility on the second floor of the Café.

A letter was sent to NH Dept. of Safety stating the Town of Rumney has no fireworks regulations in place at this time. This was in response to an inquiry from the State.

North Country Council: Information regarding several upcoming meetings being present by NCC has been received as well as copies of minutes from the last three meetings they held. On March 27th a meeting in Littleton is being put on by DES regarding the permitting process in place for such things as wetlands. Cheryl L. was interested in attending this meeting. Carl made a motion that Cheryl attend this meeting if possible, was seconded by Rob Arey and approved by the Board.

On April 29th there will be a meeting in Plymouth regarding scenic-by-ways that NCC has been working on for some time. Brian Flynn showed interest in attending that as well as Carl Spring.

Brian Flynn agreed to be the Board's representative to North Country Council.

Fatherland Trust: An approval to construct a septic system was received. Also a copy of the Historical Review for a wetlands permit was received.

Snowmobile races: Jerry had concerns regarding the snowmobile racing at Riverbrook RV park. Carl stated they are closed and he has heard the racers did not like the track and his first race there was also his last. Jerry's concern was the oil/gas run off – however, the Clerk had inquired about that with DES in the fall and they have no concerns as it dissipates before it reaches the water.

Subdivision Regulation Updates: Carl stated he would like the Board to get back to the "work of the Board" – some issues have been ignored. We do need to keep working on the updates, but after other issues are dealt with. Rob stated the issues were put off because of the changes being made to the regulations. Carl will provide a list of issues to the Chairman at the next meeting. A complete copy of the updated regulations will be emailed to all members.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Kindell
Clerk