TOWN OF RUMNEY PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES December 18, 2018

1. The meeting was called to order by Dave Coursey at 7:02.

Present: David Coursey, Cheryl Lewis, Ken Wenig, Brad Eaton, Brian Flynn, Donald Winsor

Absent: Jerry Thibodeau, Diane Kindell

Also present: Michelle Moran-Gray, Alex Belensz, Bob Berti, Joe Chivelle

2. The minutes were passed as written

- 3. North Country Council Michelle Moran–Gray and Alex Belensz spoke to us about what the North Country Council could do to help us with the task of updating our subdivision regulations. Joining the NNC would cost about \$2000 but would provide benefits to other parts of the town. We would be charged additionally for work on the subdivision regulations with offsets from various grants that NNC would apply towards it. By being members of NNC Rumney would be able to participate in several ongoing planning programs that the NNC conducts. One of these programs that might be of interest is a survey of the paved roads in town. We did ask about what help we would get with updating our Master Plan and the possibility of exploring zoning ordinances. Again this would require additional cost, some of which, as members, would be offset with grants.
- 4. Discussion The board discussed the presentation that we just heard. While we thought the information was interesting some members felt that the information and tone of the presentation was a bit too "organizational" for Rumney. Bob Berti said he was impressed with what Groton is doing with their planning board and the simple zoning ordinances they have. There was some discussion about the future need for zoning of some sort in Rumney. Judi will look into who is assisting Groton. Cheryl Lewis spoke very highly of the work that Tara Bamford did with the Master Plan. Tara worked for the North Country Council when she worked with Rumney and is now working on her own as a consultant. Cheryl will contact Tara to see what she could so to help with the subdivision regulations and what her fees would be.
- **5.** Lot Line Agreement We discussed the recent lot line agreement that came before the board. Because it was not a subdivision the Francises where not charged an application fee. It ended up costing the town to file the agreement. The board decided that any future Lot Line Agreements should be charged an application fee.
- **6.** The meeting adjourned at 9:02

Respectfully submitted

Judi Hall