

**BOARD OF SELECTPERSON'S SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 18, 2015 5:00 p.m.**  
**Rumford Falls Auditorium**

PRESENT: Chairperson Gregory Buccina, Vice-Chairperson Jeffrey Sterling, Selectperson Frank DiConzo, Selectperson Mark Belanger, Town Manager John Madigan, Jr. Absent: Selectperson Bradford Adley

ATTENDEES: Harry Burns, Jim Thibodeau, Peter Gautreau, Jolene Lovejoy, Brian Gagnon, Richard Dunton, Andy Russell, Gerard Lambert

1. Meeting Called to Order by Chairperson Buccina at 5:00 p.m.
2. All present Pledged Allegiance to the American Flag
3. Discussion with Rumford Water District regarding Island Sidewalks Project

The Board of Selectpersons and Rumford Water District Board discussed the upcoming sidewalk project on the Island and the replacement of water lines and sewer lines during the construction. It was noted that some businesses have rooms or stairways under the sidewalks themselves and that many flat roofed buildings have roof drains that empty into the sewer system.

The Town Manager informed the Board that the Town is working on an Inflow/Infiltration Plan that mandates that we remove roof drains from emptying into the sewer lines. The Rumford-Mexico Sewerage District is overflowing at certain times of the year because of the clean water from roof drains emptying into sewer lines.

Mr. Buccina noted that we also do not want to dig up sidewalks down the road as repair needs for the aging infrastructure beneath comes along.

The Town Manager reported that Congress Street is the oldest part of town and has the oldest water lines (1890's) and sewer lines under the streets. This would be the best time to replace those utilities while we are working on the sidewalk project and digging up the road to correct the roof drains from emptying in to the sewer lines. The Rumford Water District Board is willing to replace the water lines during this timeframe. The Water District estimated that it would cost 1.1 million to reconstruct water lines on the Island.

Mr. Belanger left the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

4. Adjournment

Mr. DiConzo made a motion to adjourn at 6:20 p.m. Vote: 3-0

John E. Madigan, Jr.  
Town Manager