

TOWN OF RUMFORD
BOARD *of* SELECTPERSONS MINUTES

August 04, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Conference Room (McLean and Theriault absent)

New Fee Amounts reviewed by Chris Brennick

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adopt Agenda: Add appointment of Town Attorney and Roundhouse and 213/215 Dangerous Building #13.
Motion by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo to at Roundhouse on Veterans Street 213/215 Penobscot as number 13 and Appointment of Town Attorney on #11. Vote 3-0 in favor to add to agenda

4. Public Hearing: No public Comment

5. Action Following Public Hearing:
6. Special Presentation or Award

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- a. Public Comment:
- b. Town Manager's Report
Town Manager Carter noted the survey report was received for the new Central Fire Station. Carter stated they are now able to move the project forward and are working on getting updated pricing.

Carter discussed the Clock Tower being prepped for painting and the roof repairs needed. Carter noted things are progressing.

Carter states the Auditor reported to the Finance Committee and stated that the town is in good financial shape. Audit was positive.

- c. Department Heads and Committee Chairs
CEO Coulombe discussed one quote received for 103 Washington Street and noted that a couple of other companies have backed out. Coulombe noted the VA was plywood walls. Coulombe also noted that the Planning Board approved the 33 unit housing project.
- d. Select Board
Board President Brennick stated Susan Collins earmarked \$500,000 for a fitness center at new school.

8. Approve Minutes of July 21, 2022
Motion by DiConzo and seconded by Brennick to approve the minutes of July 21, 2022. Vote 3-0 in favor.
9. Approve Warrant number 6
Motion by Brennick and seconded by Diconzo to Table Warrant. Vote 3-0 in favor.

Mtoin by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo to approve the warrant. Vote 3-0 in favor.
10. Discuss/Approve amendments to Town of Rumford fee schedule
Motion by DiConzo and seconded by Chase to approve the amendments to the Fee Schedule. Vote 3-0 in favor.

11. Appointment to Boards and Committees

<u>Board</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>vacancies</u>
Board of Appeals	3 year term	4 (1 alt)

Motion by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo to appoint Keith Bickford to 3 year term. Vote 3-0 in favor.

Motion by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo to appoint Sammie Sax to 3 year term. Vote 3-0 in favor

Motion by Chase and seconded by DiConzo to appoint Kevin Saisi to 3 year term. Vote 3-0 in favor

Park and Recreation Com.	3 year term	1
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Motion by Chase and seconded by Brennick to appoint Tom Conner to 3 year term. Vote 3-0 in favor

Planning Board	3 year term	2
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Motion by Brennick and seconded by Chase to appoint Travis Palmer to 3 year term. Vote 3-0 in favor.

Motion by Brennick and seconded by Chase to appoint Andrew Cayer to 3 year term. Vote 3-0 in favor

Med-Care Board	3 year term	1 (1 alt)
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Motion by Brennick and seconded by Chase to appoint Tammy Moran to 3 year term.

Vote 3-0 in favor

No.Oxford Solid Waste 3 year term 1
Motion by Chase and seconded by DiConzo to appoint William Porter to 3 year term.
Vote 3-0 in favor

Rum/Mex Sewer Board 3 year term 1
Motion by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo to appoint Rebecca Ulmer to 3 year term.
Vote 3-0 in favor

Poland Spring Committee 1 year term and 3 year term 2
Motion by Chase and seconded by DiConzo to appoint Teresa Sax to 3 year term.
Vote 3-0 in favor

Motion by Chase and seconded by Brennick to appoint Jim Rinaldo to 3 year term.
Vote 3-0 in favor

Motion by Brennick and seconded by Chase to appoint Mary LaPointe to 3 year term.
Vote 3-0 in favor

Town Attorney 1 year term
Motion by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo to appoint Jennifer Kreckel to 1 year term. Vote 3-0 in favor

12. Discuss/Action on Request from GRCC for addt'l funding for heating.

Discussion on request by GRCC represented by Gary Dolloff and Mindy Gorham for \$30,000 out of ARPA Federal Government Fund to help with their increase in heating costs for the winter.

Discussion noting this will open the door for other nonprofits in the same situation. It was noted this money has been designated for infrastructure needs. Town Manager Carter stated that the town received \$607,362 from the American Rescue Plan Act and \$89,592 has been obligated. Carter noted we support 24 nonprofits in Rumford who applied for funding during the budget season. Carter noted that the Town is in the same situation as GRCC and everybody is fighting a crisis in fuel costs. Carter noted the town funded our budget in anticipation of fuel costs going up. Carter noted at this level we are not going to have enough for fuel costs as well. In June voters approved all the initiated articles requested by nonprofits for the fiscal year 2022-2023 totaling around \$250,000, of that money for the 24 nonprofits Greater Rumford Community Center received \$117,000 from the tax payers. Carter explained that by State Statute we fall under LD1 and have to stay within budget, so we will have to

make cuts as well to stay under the budget limit. Chase stated it was a small amount of the \$500,000 left. Dolloff stated it was a small amount to pay for kids to have a place to go. DiConzo discussed that he led as selectman for 16 years ago to push for funding and grants for a new health and recreation facility for Rumford and Mexico, Diconzo noted the seed money was there and a promise to match was there. DiConzo stated the first people who did not want to jump on board was the GRCC and their board and it was disheartening. DiConzo noted that Dolloff was on that board at the time. DiConzo stated the building should have been closed years ago as it didn't meet fire code, the disabilities code etc. Diconzo stated we need a new facility and GRRC is now a money pit. Chase stated concerns that if the building is closed kids will have no place to go and the programs will no longer exist. Brennick stated there are two facilities that are aging and competing against each other and are costing a lot of money. Brennick discussed why we could not combine on one facility instead of one in Rumford and one in Mexico.

Carter reminded Dolloff that the Community Center is not a town service. GRCC is a nonprofit and not a department of the town. Carter noted this is all taxpayers' money and if we do not use it on infrastructure then taxpayers are going to have to fund those infrastructure projects.

Chase made a motion to take \$30,000 out of ARPS Funds to GRRC for oil if it meets ARPA guidelines. Brennick seconded it (to open discussion) Vote 1-2 motion fails. (Brennick, Diconzo Nay)

13. Discuss/Approve Dangerous Building process for Roundhouse on Veterans Street and 2 Plymouth Avenue and 213/215 Penobscot Street.

Motion for Title Search for 2 Plymouth Ave by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo. Vote 3-0 in favor.

Motion by DiConzo and seconded by Brennick to begin dangerous building process for the Roundhouse on Veterans Street. Vote 3-0 in favor.

Motion by Brennick and seconded by Chase to begin dangerous building process on 213/215 Penobscot Street. Vote 3-0 in favor.

14. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Brennick and seconded by DiConzo. Vote 3-0 in favor. Adjourned at 7:22 p.m.