

## TOWN OF RIPTON SELECTBOARD MINUTES

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Meeting No.</b>	<b>Start:</b>	<b>End:</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>Next Time</b>
3-24-08	2008-6	7:30	9:30	4-14-08	7:30 p.m.
<b>Attendees:</b>	William Ford, Laureen Cox, and Ronald Wimett, Selectboard and Debra Karpak, Clerk to the Selectboard				
<b>Visitors:</b>					
<b>Minutes:</b>	Minutes of 2-11-08 and 2-25-08 were approved and signed.				
<b>Approval / Actions:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Voted unanimously to increase certain rates for the rental of the Community House effective 3-24-08 for new rentals after that date. Moved by William Ford, seconded by Laureen Cox (<i>rates on file at Town Clerks Office</i>)</li> <li>• Voted to accept 2008 rates for road maintenance effective 4-1-08 through 3-31-09 and based on fuel rates below \$5 per gallon. Moved by William Ford, seconded by Laureen Cox. Ronald Wimett, abstained.</li> <li>• Voted unanimously to proceed with repairs on the Town Clerks Office (<i>see below</i>). Moved by William Ford, seconded by Ronald Wimett.</li> </ul>				
<b>Orders:</b>	Orders for 3-24-08 were reviewed and signed: Total for Roads: \$8,790.05 General Fund: \$7,095.80.				
<b>Reports:</b>					
<b>Delinquent Taxes</b>					
<b>Road Commissioner Report</b>	Culverts/Bridges	Completed for 2007. No further reports due until Spring 2008.			
	Gravel/Resurfacing	Completed for 2007. No further reports due until Spring 2008.			
	Major Roads Reconstruction Projects	Completed for 2007. No further reports due until Spring 2008.			

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### Roads

08-03-RDWLIM	<b>Weight Limits</b>	02-11-08	Ongoing	DK
	The Board Clerk received information from VLCT regarding statutes that relate to Weight Limits. The Board Clerk and Assistant Board Clerk will match these statutes with the State Bridge Inspection Report for Ripton Bridges and report to the Board recommendations for each bridge at the meeting of 4-14-08.			
08-03-RD125NT	<b>Intersection RT 125 &amp; Natural Turnpike</b>	02-11-08	Ongoing	DK
	The Board Clerk continues to research responsibility of State and Town when rights-of-way overlap. The Town included this project in the application for the Structures Grant (application date 3-21-08) to offset costs for correcting the obstructed view at this intersection.			

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### Town Buildings

08-06-TOFREP	<b>Town Clerk Office Repairs</b>	03-24-08	Ongoing	WF
A priority list for repairs was agreed upon as follows to stay within the budgeted amount: 2008—replacing roof shingles and eave/soffit trim on the east side of the Town Clerk’s office, with the balance of the fund to be used to begin the replacement of the current entry way.				

07-13-CHFUR	<b>Community House Furnace</b>	05-28-07	Ongoing	
Tim Ryan of JW & DE Ryan Plumbing and Heating, Inc. has been given approval to replace the thermostat and cover. Information on a completion date expect by meeting of 4-14-08.				

08-03-CH CLN	<b>Community House Cleaning</b>	02-11-08	03-10-08	DK
A new cleaning service provider will service the Community House. The Board Clerk and new service provider will set a start date and inform the Town Clerk.				

08-05-CHWIN	<b>Community House Repair</b>	03-10-08	Ongoing	DK
The pane of glass is scheduled to be repaired during the week of 3-10-08. The Board Clerk to follow up and report at the meeting of 4-14-08.				

08-03-TBLDCA	<b>Town Buildings Caretaker</b>	02-11-08	Ongoing	BD/DK
The Board is in communication with a prospective candidate who is interested in overseeing the maintenance and operation of the Town Clerks Office and the Community House as caretaker. The Board Clerk is to follow up in time for the meeting of 4-14-08.				

### Grants

08-04-STRGNT	<b>Structures Grant</b>	02-25-08	Ongoing	DK/RW
Applications for the Structures Grant were mailed to the State 3-19-08. Projects included in the application process are (in order of priority): (1) culvert on Peddler Bridge, (2) Bridge #16 (recent proposal submitted by Phelps Engineering), and (3) hill at the intersection of Natural Turnpike and Route 125.				

### Miscellaneous

06-07-Daig	<b>Daignault Property</b>	04-24-06	Ongoing	DK
The Town Attorney has informed the Board that the status conference took place.				

08-18-INVTPOL	<b>Investment Policy</b>	08-13-07	03-14-08	DK
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In reference to the question regarding funds established through the vote of the Town and expenditures from the fund, it is the opinion of the Town Attorney based on statute that once the Town votes to put money in a fund, it can be used by the Selectboard for the purposes of the fund.

William Ford

Lauren Cox

Ronald Wimett