

## TOWN OF RIPTON SELECTMENS MINUTES

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Meeting No.</b>	<b>Start:</b>	<b>End:</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>Next Time</b>
12-27-04	2004-24	7:45	9:45	01-10-05	7:30p.m.
<b>Attendees:</b>	William Ford, Ronald Wimett and Lauren Cox, Selectmen, Tim Hanson, Town Clerk and Sally Hoyler, Assistant Clerk.				
<b>Visitors:</b>					
<b>Minutes:</b>	Minutes for 12-13-04 were reviewed, to be signed at next meeting.				
<b>Approval Actions:</b>	Accepted the resignation of Timothy Hanson as Town Clerk/Treasurer. Appointed Sally Hoyler as Town Clerk/Treasurer until March 1, 2005.				
<b>Orders:</b>	Orders for 12/13/04 were reviewed and signed. Total for Roads: \$4,225.00, and for General Fund: \$177,618.24.				

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### Fire Station—Old Business

04-07-Fire-a	<b>Fire Station</b>	04-12-04	Ongoing	TH & Bd
<p>The Fire Station foundation has been fully constructed.</p> <p>Tim Hanson will continue to work as the liaison between the Town and the Fire Department on this project, and will call the contractor on a regular basis to encourage them to start as soon as possible on getting the structure up.</p> <p>Tom Barden has met with Mr. Hanson and Tim Price, and put together a design that is sufficient for estimating the cost of fitting out the building. Mr. Barden has promised this number in time to put it in the Town Report for warning for additional funds (if necessary).</p> <p>The Board discussed the possibility of using the Land Sale Funds to pay for some of the costs of this project—no decision was made on this at this meeting.</p>				

### Parking Lot Grant—Old Business

00-18-Park-a	<b>Parking Lot Grant; Route 125 Enhancement Grant</b>	09-11-00	Ongoing	AJ
The invoice has been submitted for reimbursement.				

### Roads—Old Business

04-23 Roads-a	<b>Driveway on Pearl Lee Road</b>	12-13-04	Ongoing	SH
<p>The driveway constructed without an access permit is on land owned by A.Johnson Company, and was constructed by Masterson Excavation. Both parties were notified by the Town that no permit had been processed for the work, and that the construction does not meet specifications defined in the permit . A.Johnson claims to have had a previous access constructed in 1988 prior to zoning regulations and was now improving it. The Clerk will further research this claim, discuss the issue with the Town's attorney, Ellen Fallon, and have her contact A.Johnson Company.</p>				

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04-23-Roads-b	<b>Road Repair</b>	12-13-04	Ongoing	RW
There are some deep potholes in need of repair by Baker Bridge and on Pearl Lee Road. Mr. Wimett will take care of this.				

04-23 Roads-c	<b>Road Signs</b>	12-13-04	Ongoing	SH/RW
One of the "School" signs is down on Lincoln Road and needs to be righted. New signs are received and ready for placement.				

04-11-Roads-b	<b>Road Signs</b>	06-14-04	Ongoing	RW
Brush still needs to be cut in front of road signs.				

04-07-Roads-b	<b>Mapping of Road Conditions</b>	04-12-04	Ongoing	TH/RW
Mr. Wimett and Tim Hanson have driven 70% of roads. Mr. Hanson will complete the roadwork mapping by the end of January 2005.				

**Town Buildings—Old Business**

04-19-Bldg-a	<b>Town Office Maintenance</b>	09-27-04	Ongoing	
Work has begun on the repair of the office entrance roof and door.				

**Phone Booth—New Business**

04-24-Ph-a	<b>Phone Booth</b>	12-27-04	Ongoing	
The Clerk reported that Bruce Malhotra would prefer to have the phone booth removed from the Old Town Office property that he now owns. Moving the phone booth will cause Verizon to update the terms of our account. The Town would be charged \$45.00 a month to have the phone, and no longer receive a commission. The Board would like to warn this issue to be voted on at Town Meeting, if Mr. Malholtra will agree to let the phone remain in place until then.				

**Junk Ordinance—Old Business**

04-19-Junk-a	<b>Junk Car Ordinance</b>	09-27-04	Ongoing	
Tim Hanson reported on his conversation with Ellen Fallon about her suggestions of revisions in the ordinance, and will prepare a final draft.				

04-19-Em-a	<b>Emergency Preparedness</b>	09-27-04	Ongoing	
A letter has been sent to the owner of Silver Towers inquiring as to whether an emergency plan exists for the camp, and if not, requesting that one be prepared.				

**Zoning Enforcement—Old Business**

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04-19-Zone-a	<b>Gover Zoning Violation</b>	09-27-04	Ongoing	
<p>Ren Barlow of Langrock, Sperry, &amp; Wool reported in a conversation with the Clerk that Mr. Gover received the attorney's letter on December 20, one week after the deadline set in the letter. Mr. Gover's son (Roy Gover) reported to Mr. Barlow that Mr. Gover has no mail delivery; Roy Gover receives the mail and brings it to him, hence the delay. No comment from Mr. Gover was provided to Mr. Barlow at this time. The Clerk will contact Mr. Barlow regularly to monitor progress in this matter.</p>				

William Ford

Lauren Cox

Ronald Wimett