

Selectboard Meeting

Monday August 28, 2018

6:15 pm

Present: Doon Hinderyckx, Pat Harvey

Guests: Martha Slater, Joan Allen, Angus McCusker, Jim Bowen Kinley Tener, John Champion, Terry Severy, Walt Wells, Bruce Flewelling, Linda Leehy, Anni Mackay, Harland McKirryher, Mike Teetsel, Dave Harvey, Bud Venturini, Dan McKinley, Marv & Barb Harvey, Desmond Piccicuto (Orca Media)

Doon called the meeting to order at 6:15 and verified it was properly warned.

Minutes from the August 13th meeting were tabled until the next meeting.

Adjustments to the Agenda: Dave Harvey would like to speak about old business.

PUBLIC HEARING-VELOMONT TRAILS

Doon started by noting there is a community grant that Rochester is applying for on behalf of the Velomont Trails. Angus explained that both Hancock and Granville have signed a letter of support for the grant. This is a planning grant and hope to engage the communities further. Harland asked how this will affect the Bingo area? Angus could not specifically say where the trails might be due to the Robinson IRP that is under consideration now. They are considering wilderness areas for multi-use, but the hope is that users will come down out of the mountains within communities to engage businesses. They are also looking at hut to hut trail networks. Harland asked about traffic in Bingo, and Angus explained that this planning grant will research that and other impacts on the communities. Marv asked if the trails will be on private land, and Angus thought possibly some, but the majority will be on USFS land. Angus explained that they hope to have a community meeting possibly in the spring for community input, and that if private land, the landowner's permission would be required. Pat asked how this would affect the local fire and rescue groups. Angus agreed that this should be added to the study and explained that there are volunteer back country rescue people that work with the local fire departments now. Dan McKinley explained that there are sections of trail within the Robinson Project but may or may not be a part of the Velomont project. It is possible. Doon thanked Angus for the information and made motion to pass the resolution to apply for this planning grant. Pat seconded, so voted. Harland asked if the board will be notified step by step and will they forward information step by step. Angus said yes, the board will be notified. Public hearing closed at 6:25 pm.

Selectboard Meeting reopened with John Ashley from Dubois & King here to discuss change orders on the Site 3 work. He noted that we bonded for \$500,000, and Hebert's contract is for

\$358078.00. There was an alternate of \$6000. The question of adding in extra work for site 2 remote telemetry was brought up, which was not in the original contract. The cost of this telemetry is about \$10,000. There were unexpected changes at Site 3 (deeper excavation, contaminated soil & disposal) that are all higher than included so the contract will run over by about \$37,000. There is about \$9400.00 that will not be used in the contract so that can be deducted, but there are a few additional items needed in panel mounting, post size, etc. The amount over the bond is just about \$21955. The board can increase the bond up to \$75000 for unanticipated costs, or they could decide not to do Site 1 telemetry under this project but could do later under reserve costs. Hebert is behind schedule now, still need to install piping and test it before the leach field area is cleaned up. Discussion ensued as to how to move forward. Terry suggested holding off on the Site 1 telemetering for now. Jim asked if the test pits that were dug showed what depth the excavation would have to be, but they did not. He also asked if washed stone was specified in the contract and John agreed that it was. Unfortunately the trucks that hauled the stone had hauled sand prior and were not washed out before the stone was loaded. Therefore the stone had to be screened, which also caused Hebert to run behind schedule. So, by holding off on the telemetering and not including any town management or legal costs it will bring the overage down to about \$21,000 which keeps us barely under the bonded amount. Terry explained that he has talked with Champlin about future telemetry work. Doon agreed that it would be nice to keep within the bond amount, and Pat asked if Hebert could possibly work over Labor Day weekend to finish earlier due to school back in session. John will bring all this info to communicate to Hebert tomorrow.

Joan's Updates: Joan had correspondence with an engineer at Vt Local Roads regarding recycled asphalt pavement (RAP). Studies show benefits to blending with gravel for dust control. There are things to be considered such as sieve analysis, max particle size, percentage of RAP and gravel mix to be the most useful. Discussion ensued about how to mix the two. Walt noted that at last meeting it was noted that using the RAP as a subsurface is what causes the dust problem, but that using it as a surface layer should deter the dust problem. Discussion continued. Joan also noted that to reduce the Bingo Road speed limit-there are steps to be taken to make this happen and the town will need to create an ordinance. Possibly a traffic study will suffice instead of an engineering study and Joan will ask Rita when she can fit this in. It was noted that this is prime time due to the number of people who travel Bingo Road in the summer.

Joan also noted that the map of the Village Center needs to be updated for TRORC. Joanne and Pat will work on that.

Highway: John noted that he owes Dave Harvey of XCav8 an apology. Dave did have a driveway permit for a culvert he installed recently, when John thought he did not. New truck coming soon, he hopes. Marv thanked John for opening the catch basin across from the Parsonage and School St. He would like to see it covered somehow. John noted that the pipe is still not completely clean but could probably put something over it for safety concerns. Marvin also

asked John about “ripples” on the roads-not washboards, but ripples caused by the grader. John explained that the road is so hard the grader chatters on the road which causes the ripples. The blade that might help deter this problem is about \$10,000.00. John noted that there are possibly a couple days a year that have optimal grading conditions, and Harland mentioned making a list of the worst places that could be graded on those optimal condition days. Roadside mowing has begun. Harland asked about mowing and was told to flag his property if he did not want it mowed.

Utilities: nothing.

Old Business: Dave thanked John for his apology. He also noted that water is coming into one of his driveways in Great Hawk. The town has inherited the problem as the water comes onto the town road from Upper Sparrow Hawk Road, which is private, but none the less, it is coming off a town road, and just began about a month or so ago. He needs to have the water stopped to save his driveway from being washed out. John thinks possibly they can ditch around the corner to try and stop the water or to get it to flow into the ditch, but he can't make any guarantees. Possibly incorrect grading on the private road is what is causing this issue. Short discussion ensued.

Harland asked if anything is new in Bingo. Doon told him nothing new but offered to give Harland the contact info for the lawyer who is bringing the suit. Harland refused it.

Jim asked if the board has advertised for a 3rd man yet and advised they do it asap.

Bills paid, Warrants signed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne McDonnell