

Selectboard Meeting

Unapproved Minutes

June 8, 2015

Present: Robert Meagher, Jim Bowen, Joanne McDonnell

Guests: Dan Gendron, Martha Slater, Nancy Maston, Ken Beattie, Terry Severy, Eric & Sharon Alleman, Nancy & Dennis Vadnais, Jim Whitley, Tom, Eric and Michelle Schnabel, Victoria Crowne

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm. There were no additions/amendments to the agenda.

Guests: Nancy Maston gave the board more information that she has researched regarding the Class 4 road at Oak Lodge/Buttles Rd. She feels that she has found evidence showing that the road that was actually discontinued in 1948 is between Oak Lodge Rd and Town Line Rd, not the Class 4 road that was upgraded for use after Irene that leads to her property. The property owners that were notified of the discontinuance are property owners along Town Line Rd. Short discussion ensued. Nancy will make copies for the board, and they thanked her for the information.

Dennis Vadnais told the board that the condition of Maple Hill Road is just not acceptable from top to bottom. There are washboards even on the flat areas. He believes that crusher gravel is needed to improve the situation. Tom Schnabel agreed, and Sharon Alleman explained that it is dangerous when cars pass each other on the road. Several homeowners ride motorcycles on the road, and that is impossible now. Jim Whitley noted he has lived there for 32 years and this is the worst the road has been. He also noted that the road is so bad that emergency vehicles would not be able to make it. Lengthy discussion ensued about why it takes so long to get the road maintained after winter. Can a priority list be generated by the Road Commissioner as to which roads get worked on and when after mud season? Robert noted that more written priorities will be created. Robert noted that he will drive on the road and discuss with Dan. Nancy Vadnais would like to know when the property owners on Maple Hill can expect to hear back from the board. Dan noted that he will be laying down more stone and grading tomorrow, weather permitting.

Robert made motion to accept the minutes from the June 1, 2015 meeting with a meeting time correction, seconded by Jim.

New Business: Robert made motion to approve the Park Use application by the WRP for Harvest Fair, seconded by Jim. So voted.

Robert made motion to approve the amended Procurement Policy that has a corrected date. Seconded by Jim, so voted. The policy was signed.

It was noted that Randy Andrews has gravel at his property on Rt 73 that he may be interested in selling to the town. Short discussion ensued. Robert and Dan will discuss.

Jim Bowen noted that the trimming portion of the summer mowing contract has not been happening as often as it is noted in the contract. He would like Mike to be notified that trimming must be done according to the contract. Robert will mention this to Mike.

Recycle/trash bins on the Park were discussed. Suggestions were to put lists of recyclable items on one bin and to note that NO HOUSEHOLD TRASH is to be left. Joanne will look into containers.

Old Business: Terry noted that he has prices from Neptune, EJ Prescott and Zenner for the new water meters. Discussion ensued, and Terry noted that EJ Prescott has a 20 year warranty on the meters and

they are located right in Barre. Robert noted that because the cost of the meters will exceed \$10,000.00, we will need to a formal bid. Discussion ensued. Terry also feels that the project can be paid for with reserve funds instead of borrowing the money. Joanne will get an advertisement in the Herald this week, and Terry or Robert will write up a spec sheet. Robert made motion to advertise for water meters, seconded by Jim. So voted.

Robert noted that he may be out of town for a week beginning Friday, June 12th.

The board agreed to table the executive session to discuss Terry as an employee to the June 22nd meeting. Robert moved, Jim seconded. So voted.

Bills were reviewed, warrants signed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne McDonnell