

Unapproved Minutes

Present: Doon Hinderyckx, Robert Meagher, Jim Bowen, Courtney Severy, Joan Allen

Guests: Martha Slater, Nancy Woolley, Dan Gendron, Terry Severy, Marv Harvey, Barb Harvey, Martin Jr. "Smokey" Bowen, Marty Mahar, Nancy Ketchum, Greg Russ, Chris Lloyd, Joanne Andrews, Barb Dehart, Anthony Venturini, Lucy Gibson

Meeting called to order at 6:15 pm.

Additions to Agenda: Chris Lloyd present to discuss Wing Farm Road, Doon added the Letter they received from the Library, Doon added the 5th Anniversary of Irene, Update on Sidewalk Committee, Nancy added status of Worker's Compensation.

Doon moved to approve the minutes from April 25th meeting, seconded by Robert. So voted.

New Business:

"Smokey" stated that he has a piece of property for sale in Bingo and Marty Mahar wants to purchase the property. At one point the land was leased from the Town, this changed in the late '60's – early '70's and they started charging taxes. Lease didn't need to be paid because they were paying taxes. In the 1996 & 2000 deeds there is no mention of a lease, but it is mentioned in the 1972 deed. The deed stated that the Church owned it, Marty followed up with the Church Diocese in Burlington and they have no record of it and have no interest in it, they received a letter stating this. Marv noted that all leased land is not assessed as regular land. Smokey's lawyer drafted up a quick claim for the town to say they're quick claiming any interest they have to the current owner. Robert asked for electronic copies to be sent to him so he can forward them along to the Town lawyer for review. Robert will communicate with lawyer and will follow up with Marty.

Chris Lloyd owns the Wing Farm property as well as the steep area on both sides of the road. He showed a drawing showing existing drainage patterns and a proposed new layout for drainage. They have a big erosion problem. He wants the Town to re-do the maintenance procedures in the future for this section of road. He wants to eliminate the extra water bars and fix the ditch, it's not effective now. The water is running into the barn, so they need to change this. Robert discussed with Dan ditching in the upper area, it is on the plan to get done. The road has gotten lower over the years, so more gravel needs to be brought in to raise the road. Chris asked if it could be graded differently, Dan said no, any other direction will cause the road to get washboards. They could put a ditch on that side of the road. Nancy Ketchum noted that additional information would be provided to the Town regarding the work along the River Bank in that area. Robert said they would stay in touch with Chris about this work.

Rochester no longer has a rep on the TAC (Transportation Advisory Committee) Board for Two Rivers. Doon nominated Robert, seconded by Jim. So voted.

Nancy discussed Worker's Compensation; she said it's getting complicated. If the Town hires anyone without Worker's Compensation as part of their Certificate of Liability, the Town will be responsible for paying Worker's Comp. based on the subcontractor's salary. Currently the following trades are exempt (for now): painters, carpenters, plumbers, electricians, computer repair people, CPA's, architects, engineers, and lawyers. It might affect bidding; the requirement should be noted in the RFP's. Town needs to start thinking about it now as it may affect the budget. VLCT is putting together a sample bid contract that they recommend the Town completes and sends to them for review (available in July).

Doon stated there will be a valley wide celebration to mark the 5th anniversary of Irene on Sunday, August 28th from 11:30 – Dusk. It will be pot luck on the park, free to attend. More info to follow at a later date.

Greg Russ from White River Partnership provided a culvert update. The Forest Service has an agreement with the Town to pay for the structures. White River Partnership received a grant to hire Cricket. He wants to address the culvert at Maple Hill Road & Marine Hill Road; it's not an easy fix. They need to replace 1 culvert this year or they lose the money. They're going to replace the next one up Maple Hill Road, as it would be easier to replace. This culvert will be a large buried pipe; he should have plans by 5/10/16. Greg said they will complete the design for the Marine Hill culvert by September and replace next year. Greg stated in the past that Larry Straus put together the RFP's, who will do it now? Greg is willing to help out however he can. Greg stated that a culvert assessment was completed in the Upper White River from a grant from VT Fish & Wildlife to see how flood resilient the culverts are. He wants to cross reference that with what Two Rivers found out to see if there is overlap.

Lucy Gibson spoke about the sidewalk plans. Doon said they are in the process of gathering a committee. The first scheduled meeting will be Monday, May 16th at 6:15pm. Board needs to warn this meeting. Martha asked who would get the final say on the layout, Doon stated the committee would present their opinion to the Selectboard and they would decide. Doon said there's a Pedestrian/Bicycle Grant available, it's due by July 15th. Lucy stated the work completed so far has been preliminary and that there are grants available for additional work to be completed. Robert stated he thinks there needs to be room for parking in front of the Post Office. Lucy said she would offer her support once the committee has been developed. Doon noted they need to think about Storm Drain locations, don't want to dig up new sidewalk work when they fix Storm Drains. Marv asked about AOT's schedule for storm drain work, Jim said they're only planning to do work from the old fire house to the north. Marv stated they should repair the entire length where the old sanitary sewer ran, since it's probably in the same condition.

Doon stated they received a letter from the library with the following concerns: Modification of budget (Doon said theirs wasn't adjusted), figure out the deed, maintenance items (there is standing water in the basement – seal/tar cracks for now to see if that solves the problem), additional painting, sidewalks,

what their insurance covers (Doon asked Joan to look into this), include library mowing in specs for future bids. Doon will communicate back to the Library.

Robert is presenting the Kirkpatrick Scholarship at graduation. Barb Dehart stated \$5,000 goes to the Town from the Trustees and the Board decides what to do with the funds. Robert motioned to use \$2,000 for the scholarship, seconded by Doon. So voted.

Town needs to pay individuals on West Hill (Welch's & Carter's). Joanne needs direction on payment (how much to pay) for each party. Is it better to pay in full or split payments up over the course of a couple years? Welch's to be paid in full now. Dan to follow up with the Carter's to see what they prefer.

Doon signed the agreement with Dubois & King for the invoice from the bicycle/pedestrian study.

Park use application for Harvest Fair on 9/10/16. Doon motioned to approve/sign this, seconded by Robert. So voted.

Town received the agreement from Dubois & King for the annual waste water reporting and inspection. Doon motioned to approve/sign this, seconded by Robert. So voted. Agreement signed.

Doon stated he found self adjusting back up beepers for the loader for \$50; he wants to add this requirement to the specs.

Table the minutes from the special meeting.

Terry stated there are problems at Site 3; there is water in all the tubes. He needs to dig them up and install new shields (this is a temporary fix). The Town needs to proceed with a new design for this site. John A wants to get an accurate count/flow for this site. Terry said they might be able to re-do it where it is now, since it's so deep. Terry asked for a rough estimate and to see if they could design it in the same location. Terry said he's ordering another pump at the Tennis Courts; the older pump is pumping less than the newer one. Jim asked why Site 4 wasn't designed to hold more, Terry stated it was designed for the maximum amount for in-ground system (30,000 gallon/day per the State); any more would have required a treatment plant. It was built to be re-designed in that same location.

Terry asked about what was happening with the Town mowing, the pump house is getting long and Site 4 is getting long. Mower was supposed to have started 5/1/16. Jim to follow up with mower.

No update from road department.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Courtney Severy