

GRANVILLE SELECTBOARD MEETING

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2014

Approved

Public present: Gene and Jackie Hammond, Roger Stauss, Ken Beattie, Charlie Needham-Road Commissioner, Danial Sargeant- Fire Chief, Victoria Crowne-Selectboard, Michele Brown-Selectboard, Cheryl Sargeant-Selectboard Chair, Richard Poole, Sean Linskey, Vivian Valtrie Burgess.

Call To order: 6:00pm

Hear any Public Comments and Communications:

Richard Diek Poole- reported clogged culverts on Post Office Hill. He requested preventative maintenance. Charlie Needham- Road Commissioner, has asked Kenny Beattie to clear those culverts. Ken Beattie just looked ~~that~~ them and will be addressing those exact issues soon. Berms are causing gravel to flow into the culverts. Ken Beattie suggested we speak with the person who grades and make sure the berms/winrows are cleared away.

Gene Hammond is here to represent James Tyrell and Tom Cromwell. They want to work with the Conservation Commission regarding the plans of the FEMA buyout properties acquired by the town this year and their 7 acres adjacent to the north. They also requested the Selectboard's assistance in asking the State to have the first mowing done earlier in summer to decrease the Cherville spread. They would also like the road commissioner to try and make sure winter run off from Maston Hill doesn't cross Route 100 and ruin their grass for the spring. We will do our best. They also requested assistance in asking the State to not use salt brine on Route 100 as it is burning the grass.

Our Animal Control Officer picked up 2 hound dogs under a year old that were found on North Hollow Road. She will deliver them to the Addison County Humane Society on Tuesday for them to adopt out. We may receive a bill from Dr. Hadden for kenneling because they were brought there on Friday in hopes that the owner would claim them.

Roger Stauss wanted to reiterate that he had a conversation with our Constable regarding the speeding increase in the last year on Maston Hill. He would like it if our residents and visitors slow down for everyone's safety. The Constable felt that maybe more speed limit signs could be put up. Roger would like to see more of a presence of the Constable as well as possible signs. Roger would like it publicly noted that he requested this. Sean Linskey added that West Hill and West Hill Extension have the same speeding problems. He would like to see more patrolling too.

Old Business

Discuss Culvert Project on North Hollow Road-Cheryl Sargeant and Charlie Needham have left messages for ECS regarding a punch list to be finished for this project. We will hold back any further monies until the list is completed.

Discuss Culvert Project on West Hill- Sean Linskey spoke about the diminishing safety of West Hill. He feels another big rainstorm will wash out the now 11' road and wants to know when it can be fixed. Cheryl Sargeant said that it is on the list of Alternate Projects with FEMA. They report that if we choose to do anything to these projects before approval, it will have to be eliminated from the alternate project list. This problem is only one of the six projects on the list. We can't wait and need to find funding to fix it before winter. Cheryl Sargeant will call the Forest Service and let them know we may need to close the road due to safety issues. The Forest Service's contractor trucks are taxing the existing road health more. Unfortunately, if we have to close the road it would impact their foresting negatively. It has been 2 years since we have received any grant money from them and we are hoping to receive some to fix this issue. We will borrow from other highway accounts if needed. Sean Linskey has a few names of contractors to give Charlie Needham-Road Commissioner to help the project get started sooner than later.

Culvert by Guy Christi's house-Michele Brown moved to accept amendments made by Ken Beattie and Cheryl Sargeant. Victoria Crowne 2nd All in favor

The road will be closed during repair. Road closed signs have been put up already by Ken Beattie.

Victoria Crowne moved to accept closure of North Hollow for that culvert. Michele Brown 2nd. All in favor.

Danial Sargeant will notify all emergency services regarding road closing.

WRVA Meeting & Hydrant at Bowl Mill-The meeting to speak with Rochester and Hancock Fire Departments on what a First Response would entail was well attended by other towns with first response teams. They spoke to how it works for them. Rochester's Fire Department decided to talk about it in early October. Hancock's Department wasn't represented as well by the fire department. Monica Collins was going to try and attend a Hancock Fire Department meeting to see if she could get some interest towards creating a First Response team.

The first response students from this summer are done and are awaiting scheduling for the test.

Hydrant- Doug Fuller and Dan Sargeant are working on constructing a hydrant at the Bowl Mill. They just need some digging done. They believe they can finish it for a few hundred dollars. Dan Sargeant has plans for a few more hydrants in town.

Financial Management

Approve Selectmen's Orders- Victoria Crowne moved to accept and Cheryl Sargeant 2nd. All in favor.

Property Transfer Complete for Aiken Property-

Discuss & Approve Short Term Loan for Grant Project- This money will be used to pay the difference from what we have already paid ECS and his original bid. Cheryl Sargeant made a motion to sign the loan papers. Michele **Brown** 2nd All in Favor.

Errors & Omissions in 2014 Grand List (Land Use Parcels)- Cheryl Sargeant read a letter from Nancy Maston-Lister, regarding the Eramo Estate merger. Due to contingency and Land use it cannot be merged. Dissolving the merger will increase the land value. The owners will get a revised tax bill. Cheryl Sargeant requests to accept the dissolution of merged properties 11L-37 and 11L-37.1. Michele Brown 2nd All in favor.

New Business

We received information from Attorney Dan Richardson regarding Mr. Loprete who filed a complaint with Addison Superior Court.

Michele Brown wanted to make sure that the calendar on the website was current for our meetings. Victoria Crowne will work on that.

Approve Meeting Minutes- Michele Brown accepted as written. Cheryl Sargeant 2nd All in Favor

Adjourn 7:47pm

Respectfully Submitted by Victoria Crowne