

MINUTES *approved minutes*

Board of Selectmen Meeting: August 20, 2018 **Present:** Rob DeValk, Frank Emig, Jim Jennison, Scott Sanchas, Dave Bascom, Rob Vogel, Mike LeBlanc, Linda Christie, Stephen Krivoshik, Gregg Adamovich, Shawn Bowman, Carole Wallace, Helen Frink, Alva Grant, Charlie Bradt, Jennifer Bland, Chester Thibault, Glenn Elsesser

Open meeting: 7:00PM, JJ. **Approve minutes:** BOS meeting August 6, Motion JJ/FE to approve as edited, passed. **Sign bill manifest:** Motion JJ/FE to approve with additions, passed. **Sign payroll manifest:** Motion FE/JJ to approve, passed..

Recognition of Visitors/Public Input:

1. Alva Grant spoke about the new guardrails in South Acworth Village which cross in front of the Community Aid Building and seem out of scale. She noted DOT bridge designer Joe Adams is the contact person to comment about the guardrails. Helen Frink noted a study had been done citing the village as a potential site for the State Historic Places registry. FE encouraged a citizen petition.
2. Linda Christie reported Acworth Primary School enrollment has increased from 25 to 46 which is likely to result in an additional teacher and higher taxes.
3. Helen Frink reported the Conservation Commission reviewed proposed utility pole sites on the Luther and Roy Farm property. She noted that the Town paid for and holds the conservation easement on the Roy property and is responsible for upholding its terms which include “preserve the magnificent views...for the enjoyment of the public”. There was discussion in which it was noted a revised pole plan had been submitted to the Town which does not bring poles from the field to the roadside along Luther Hill Road. It was also noted NHEC has not requested permission for tree work in connection with the proposed poles. Permission is generally required for tree work on scenic roads. There was a question as to whether landowner permission eliminates the need for Town permission for tree work on scenic roads. There was also a question as to whether the Town as easement holder has any jurisdiction over tree work within the utility easement. RD suggested a next step of requesting any tree plan NHEC may have in conjunction with the recently revised pole plan.
4. Mike LeBlanc inquired about building permit process and was advised to submit a permit application.

Highway Department Report:

1. Work update/plan: EB reported on grading, culvert replacement on Derry Hill and Lynn Hill Roads, truck repairs, crew attendance at flagger training and cost comparison meetings with tree contractors. Grading will continue with gravel placement.
2. Grader operator application was referred to nonpublic.
3. Crane Brook: Storm shoulder repairs complete.
4. Charlestown Road: Culvert installation due 8/22 and will require EB oversight as certified culvert maintainer.
5. Ryan/Duncan Road: RD expressed appreciation for Bascom Maple and Allstone offers to assist and noted it will go onto the list of pending projects.
6. Hoagland Road: 30 Loads resulted in serviceable surface.
7. Beryl Mountain Road: EB opined roadside berm is holding runoff on road and causing ditching now that pavement has been removed. It will be graded along with other gravel roads.
8. Lynn Hill Road: Motion FE/JJ to sign letter alerting owner of need to replace driveway culvert, passed.
9. Town Hall Road paving: Revisit in September.
10. Derry Hill Road: Linda Christie requested attention.
11. Cold Pond Road: RD noted deteriorating surface raised question as to sustainability of shim coats.
12. Turkey Shoot Road: RD noted need for attention prior to school opening.

Transfer Station Report:

1. Charlie Bradt asked about barefoot patrons, metal disposal, propane tank disposal fees, hazardous waste and website posting. Selectmen noted shoes are required, car parts can go into the metal bin, propane tanks will be accepted without charge, hazardous waste cannot be accepted and recycling info can be posted on the Town’s website.
2. Stickers: Motion FE/JJ to order stickers, passed. It was noted nonresidents are depositing trash in Acworth. Sticker distribution to be discussed.

ConCom Report: August 8 meeting focused on proposed utility pole plan. Shawn Bowman noted need to meet with State for clarification on posting of easement property.

PB Report: Next meeting August 27.

Action items:

1. Building permits: Limoges shed, Crescent Lake Road: Motion FE/JJ to approve, passed; Accardi studio, Old Claremont Road: Motion FE/JJ to approve, passed; Krivoshik observation tower, Quaker City Road: Motion FE/JJ to approve, passed; Pritchett camp demolition, Heino Road: Motion JJ/FE to approve, passed.
2. Intents to Cut: None.
3. Compliance: Tallman and Relihan September 4 invite letters: Motion JJ/FE to sign, passed.
4. DRA MS-1: Extension granted pending utility values; MS-434: Waiting DRA review.
5. Town Hall curtain donation: John and Stella Herpel have offered to replace the existing curtain. Motion FE/JJ to accept the donation with thanks, passed.

Discussion: None

Other items:

1. Next meeting Tuesday, September 4. Town offices closed Fridays.
2. Nonpublic: Motion FE/JJ to move to nonpublic per RSA 91-A:3IIa, passed: FE, JJ, 9:05PM. Returned to public session 10:00PM.

Meeting adjourned: 10:00PM; Respectfully, Kathi Bradt.