

Town of Greenfield, New Hampshire
Road Commission Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

June 19, 2013

Road Commission Meeting Attendees: N. Nickerson (part of meeting), G. Russell, M. Steere (Chair) and T. Bascom (visitor).

Meeting open at 6:33 PM – Town Hall

Meeting started with a brief discussion of the Unpaved Road list costs provided by the Town Administrator. There were a number of questions including – Does work include additional material requirements? Does this include needed drainage? and Does work include rebuilding the road where needed?

The Commission discussed current road issues and agreed that a road grading schedule would be beneficial in providing better public relations and understanding of road maintenance.

On road reconstruction, the Commission thought that it might be wise to have an independent “road builder” provide advice and council on road maintenance and reconstruction issues.

Based on current tax situation The Commission would like to get the Select Board’s sense of going forward with a bond for road reconstruction. The Commission will provide time at our next meeting to review issues with the Select Board.

The Commission has not had any input from the DPW Director on road prioritization and condition of roads so will proceed with the criteria below:

The Commission agreed the criteria for road prioritization in order includes:

- 1) Traffic counts/volume
- 2) Road usage/traffic patterns
- 3) Current road conditions
- 4) Work required for reconstruction
- 5) Accessibility/dead end

The Commission agreed the criteria for road condition Director in order includes:

- 1) Surface condition – pot holes & surface issues
- 2) Surface drainage
- 3) Under road drainage
- 4) Road bed
- 5) Road crowning (all roads)

Scheduling of road trips to review gravel road condition and prioritization will be completed in the next two weeks – the sense is four or five roads at a time during the next two months to have the work done by the end of August. In addition, the Commission will identify known trouble spots on the gavel roads. The work is to start during the first full weekend of July (Saturday or Sunday to be determined).

The Road Commission currently has four members and requests the Select Board consider three additional members. The Commission has three individuals that have shown at interest in serving on the Road Commission and would like the Board to consider appointing same to assist in the upcoming gravel road evaluation. The three residents are: Kevin Sweeny (Saw Mill Road), Tom Bascom (County Road) and Mel Rossi (Old Bennington Road).

The next Road Commission meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 3, 2013 at 6:30 PM.

Meeting was adjourned by motion of the Commission at 7:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Myron Steere