

Selectmen's Meeting

Monday, July 24, 2017

Town Office Building

Attending: D. Pierce, S. Bergeron, S. Patch; T. Fydenkevez

Others in Attendance: G. Emery-Highway Superintendent, Potyrala Cross Road and North Plain Road Residents, C. Griffin,

Behind the Camera: FCAT

Meeting called to order at 6:39PM.

POTYRALA CROSS ROAD

Highway Superintendent appeared before the Board regarding the road conditions of Potyrala Cross Road. He stated the road needs repairs and would cost approximately \$24,000 to repave the roadway vs. turning it back to a dirt road for a cost of around \$6,000-\$8,000. He is looking to the Board for guidance of how they would like to address this roadway. Mr. Bergeron asked about the infrastructure and Mr. Emery reported there are two (2) catch basins off the road. Mr. Pierce asked which surface was easier to maintain and Mr. Emery reported black top is easier to maintain. The residents noted there is a snow drifting issue in the winter on Potyrala and Hadley Road which it abuts. Mr. Fydenkevez acknowledged this is not the first time Potyrala Cross Road residents are before the Board regarding the road conditions. Residents continued to offer that dust would be an issue if turned to a dirt road and they wouldn't even be able to open their windows to their homes, pot holes would continue if gravel stays and Potyrala Cross is a county road and traffic has increased and not just residents who live on the road are using it. Mr. Fydenkevez noted counties **or county roads** have been disbanded. Mr. Emery reiterated it would cost approximately \$24,000 to overlay and shim with a 2" top with oil and stone. The Board discussed the use of Chapter 90 funds and what has been committed and what would be expected from the state. Mr. Fydenkevez, Motion to have Highway Superintendent present plan for Potyrala Cross Road improvements, Mr. Bergeron Second, Vote 3-0.

NORTH PLAIN ROAD

Residents were invited to discuss the proposed speed limit change from 35 to 25 as recommended by the Police Chief. Residents were in favor of the decreased speed limit. Mr. Fydenkevez noted it was the municipal modernization act that simplified the change in speed limits process. Residents asked process questions and it was noted new signage would need to be ordered which would take about a month and signs would replace existing signs in their current locations. Mr. Bergeron Motion to accept the Police Chief's recommendation to reduce the speed limit on North Plain Road from 35mph to 25mph, Mr. Fydenkevez Second, Vote 3-0.

MINUTES

Mr. Bergeron Motion to accept Minutes of June 10, 2017, Mr. Fydenkevez, Second, Vote 3-0.

Mr. Bergeron Motion to accept Minutes of July 19, 2017, Mr. Fydenkevez, Second, Vote 3-0

UPDATES

Mr. Fydenkevez reminded everyone that the 300th Anniversary Committee meets the first Thursday of the month and encourages folks to attend. Mr. Fydenkevez also thanked Ms. Patch for the notice mailed to residents seeking volunteers.

Mr. Bergeron requests comments from residents regarding Sugarbush Meadows and he should be able to give an update on the project in the near future.

Ms. Patch reported the quarterly newsletter she was interested in starting for the town is being formulated, departments have been contacted for subject submission, design has been decided and the board should look for a draft in September with a release date of early October. The newsletter would be available on the town's website and paper copies will be placed in town buildings or mailed upon request. **FMT?**

The Board accepted the resignation from Jennifer Unkles from the 300th Anniversary Committee. Mr. Bergeron Motion to accept resignation with regret, Mr. Fydenkevez, Second, Vote 3-0

The Board received correspondence from Brenda Wozniakewicz requesting Sunderland be a Purple Heart Community Designation. Mr. Brian Willette will be invited to make a presentation at the Board's next meeting.

Mr. Fydenkevez Motion to adjourn, Mr. Bergeron, Second, Vote 3-0 at 7:24PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Patch
Town Administrator