

Duxbury Selectboard Meeting, July 23, 2012

Members present: Dick, Mo, Maureen, Craig (Mike Marshall resigned)

Others: Jeff Poitras, Adam Magee, Lars Dickson, Bob Magee, Kristen Fountain, Duncan Macdougall, Shawnee Perry, Rob Dasaro, Ames Robb (minutes)

Minutes from 7/9 - approved with corrections (as noted by Mo) (Dick, Mo) All in favor

7/13 Special Meeting Minutes – approved with Blow & Cote spelling correction. (Maureen, Mo) All in favor

Duncan MacDougall re: transportation enhancement grant. Duncan is chair of Waterbury LEAP. Renewable energy, efficiency, bike/ped focus. Access by bike/ped to Crossett Brook Middle School is an issue. A potential solution has been identified: Sidewalk from Snowfire marked crossing across Duxbury Lower Main St. Marked crossing across 100 at the cemetery (initially approved by VTrans for sight lines, etc), then connect with path thru State Farm property (verbal agreement with potential purchaser). Transportation grant application is due October 5. Letter of intent was submitted by Waterbury. Applicant could be Waterbury Duxbury School District. Requires 20% matching; LEAP hopes school district would invest. Grant funds if approved might come through in January. Mo: has fundraising been considered as opposed to tax dollars? Duncan: not at this time. Maureen: any sense of potential usage? Duncan: hard to gauge potential usage. Project would roughly cost about \$300k. Value of rights of way may be considered match. Board does not see this as a priority given everything else we are facing. Will not commit to supporting it at this time (financial or non-financial).

Rob Dasaro, wants the speed limit on lower Dowsville changed from 35 to 25 mph. Safety issues, dust. Board: There is a process to undertake something like this and not sure it would address the problem.

Lars: he and others suggest a citizens committee for hiring of the Road Foreman.

Jeff: 1) can we put "no parking" signs near his house on River Rd.? They could not get back in the driveway the other night with their trailer. It is people visiting his neighbors. 2) Silt on River Rd. was left after the floods, rock was put down over it. Now it is being graded up and it is a problem. 3) River Rd. has been moved a couple of feet onto a neighbor's property and this needs to be addressed.

Adam/Road Report: all Camel's Hump graded, all class 4 done, working on ditching. Ward Hill, Welch Rd; south Crossett to be graded Wed as long as weather holds. Some guardrail repair to do on Camel's Hump Rd. The \$2200 carbide broke; a new one will be needed next month (he called for a price). Needs approval to buy injectors for 2000 truck; Dick: that will happen at the Road Committee mtg on Wednesday.

Maureen: Uniform expense is high: \$5600/year. Is this needed? Adam: this is valuable for the crew. Unifirst charges for losing employees and for new employees.

Dick: Road Committee meeting will include Roads survey report of 1-1.5 hours. Culvert survey by CVRPC will start next week.

Emergency Management: Radios are installed. Handhelds are ready to go in garage office. Has Ken submitted the required paperwork? Due by 30th July. Bob will follow up with Ken. EM Committee is handling follow up on 2nd grant. Copy of mutual aid agreement between towns distributed by committee to Selectboard. Choices are: we help them, they help us (with fuel fill-ups by aided town) or, we keep track and do billing for mileage and hours. Could vary from town to town.

Old Business: FEMA Report: no more money has come in. There is a discrepancy between our data and theirs. Duxbury's proposed portion would be about \$48k. Meeting this week with our auditor regarding what's left of FEMA paperwork and reimbursement due. Still waiting for a sizable amount of \$\$ on the April storms. There will be a Conf call with Sue Minter regarding our reimbursement and the State's promise to hold towns harmless to .03 on the tax rate. (Still unclear if this includes April storms; should be clarified on the call)

AoT grant, Pollander culvert. Dick met with John Grenier and Chip Percy on Friday to review bid. The road could be closed 3-4 weeks, but it could well be less than that. Percy has an alternative culvert to suggest. It would come in two large pieces rather than requiring a lot of assembly. John G will run by AoT for review. If funding is approved on 8/15, Percy is ready to start work on 8/16

Percy bid: \$118,153. We could go to max of \$130k due to contingencies, etc. Town's share is 20%. Bid and performance bonds are in place. Motion to accept: Craig/Maureen. All in favor.

Gravel pit: town was presented with a notification of violation from ANR a week ago today. Two things: 1) stormwater runoff/stormwater discharge permit application is needed. New requirement since inception of pit - now state monitored. The other discharge permit would be for a holding pond in the pit. 2) Multiple phases of the pit have been opened at the same time. A remediation plan is needed. This could allow us to work in phase 3 area; buffer is needed along the property line to Green's. Winter sand may be brought in. Selectboard still does not know when we may begin crushing gravel. Grenier will be working on a plan. Timing is tight. There is still a lot to be determined around schedule, cost, who will do work?

Camel's Hump Bridge 41: Dick looked with Blow & Cote. To repair the sliding plate they have to cut away about a foot of the wall on the upstream side. Estimate of \$18-20k. We would need to apply for state funding. Dick is waiting for formal estimate to complete the application.

Town vehicle registrations: all vehicles are registered and inspected (Adam: 2000 pickup is not inspected but is not on the road). All paperwork is coming together, including titles, etc.

New Business: Maureen talked to Bruce Palmer (atty) about Devlin Rd. issue. A "wrap up package" (incl Moutainview, Sunrise, Devlin, etc) was sent to Ken in January of 2005. All of this should have been recorded and is now nowhere to be found. That package of information will be resent to Maureen.

Advertisements for E-911, Lister and CVRPC reps will be done. We have had no takers from postings on the web or word of mouth.

Road Committee met and recommended the appointment of an acting road foreman. This has been handled through the change to the Foreman job description. ("In the absence of the RF...") Motion that Adam be appointed acting RF, and will be compensated at the level of the RF. Retroactive until 7/10, until new RF is hired. Mo, Craig. All in favor

Motion to revoke curb cut for Duxbury Store onto Wilder Rd. Maureen/Craig All in favor Property does not abut Wilder Rd. There is a 15 ft piece of property in between belonging to Chris Viens. Maureen: we should make a change to permit requests to prevent this from happening in the future. Form will be amended. Mo would like a chance to take a look at it.

Transfer \$1600 from tire escrow to line 125: Craig, Maureen. All in favor

Road Foreman ad is running in papers. VLCT, Local Roads, will be posted on Craigslist, etc.

Mike Marshall submitted a letter of resignation: Maureen moves to accept, Mo 2nd. All in favor. Replacement will be discussed at the next meeting.

Request for temp liquor permit for wedding on Crossett Hill, Mcgillicuddys coming in to serve. One day liquor license Aug 4. Motion to approve by Mo, second Craig, 3 in favor, one abstaining.

7:43 pm Motion to adjourn: Craig/Mo, all in favor.