

## CLASS V ROADS STUDY COMMITTEE

June 21, 2016

### MINUTES

Approved

Present: Mike Smith, Steve Williams, Sue MacKenzie

Guest: Kevin Sahr

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

1. Minutes May 17 and June 7th we do not have a quorum to approve them.
2. Revised road Survey to reflect lesser height of the area of the failing retaining wall. Copy will be given to DES on 7/22/16
3. Army Corp of Engineers visit. Visit went well, River Tour to view erosion and problem areas. They have chosen to take on the River Bank by Corolla Lea's house. It is a 65/35 split with the Army paying the 65%. They will do the engineering and permitting. The Corp will discuss the project at each step to be sure the Town is agreeable to the fix and the cost. They have to present their proposal up their chain of command and when approved will develop a plan to present to the Town. Hopefully will have some idea by Town Meeting 2017. Our 35% can be in "kind" services. (Materials, labor and trucking)
4. Described River Tour with Joe Kenny, Executive Councilor. He appreciated the problem but did not have much to offer in the way of financial aid.
5. Unable to complete River Survey due to the constant high water.
6. Gravel Roads: need gravel and culverts. Steve has already gone through the budget for this year and is unable to add more to the roads. We discussed increasing the gravel (Materials) budget for 2017. Has added \$13,000 worth of gravel to Grafton Turnpike this year. Mg Cl has made a significant difference in decreasing dust and maintaining a smooth surface. We need to increase the amount of Mg Cl for next year as well. We need at least 15-20,000 gal of Mg Cl for next year.

Discussed down our own trucking vs having materials trucked in.

Do we need a tri-axle truck next?

Culverts: need more funding. 2016 budget spent on 5 culverts. Need to increase for 2017. Reviewed using waste blocks as culvert headers. Need a complete breakdown of costs for town meeting and budget discussions to justify asking for an increase. Steve would like to do 15-20 per year. (\$15-\$20K)

Discussed bidding out excavator and operator for culverts.

Our gravel roads are very hard on the grader because of inadequate gravel cover.

Steve has requested to change the order of purchasing heavy equipment, he feels we need a new grader in 2017.

7. CLD has done the test pits and survey for the by-pass road. Hopefully will have final plan soon.

8. We need to develop a gravel roads plan.

Meeting adjourned at 7 PM

Next meeting July 5, 2016

Respectfully submitted

/s/ Susan MacKenzie