

SHERWOOD GREENS ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE DISTRICT

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM.

Present were:

John Kammerman – Chair, Jaime Garanzuay - Road Superintendent, Jill Moretz –Treasurer, Jeff Kotkin, Margaret Rodriquez, Joe Gaze, Terry Hayden, David Neelon and Betsy Epstein

MINUTES:

The minutes for January 2, 2013 were accepted.

Road Report:

Ernie from Always Growing presented his report on what he can do to fix the road (Silverleaf section). He wants to put in a ditch for better runoff. The job will not require application to Conservation Commission. The cost would be around \$2600 and can be completed in a couple of days. John will send a letter to inform the resident (Ron Jacquemin, 246 Silverleaf Dr.) whose property would be affected, what we are planning on doing. There was a motion made to fix the road immediately, it was seconded and then passed.

Ernie also presented a proposal on things that need to be done. John asked Ernie to prioritize the list and add a dollar amount to each item.

Jaime then presented his Road Superintendent Report. Ernie and Jaime will determine what roads need to be graded, raked, and rolled with cost estimate, to be reported to next meeting. Jaime advised that he now has no plans to relocate.

The Road Report was accepted.

There was discussion on the email sent from Steve Grossman expressing his concern about his wife's inaccessible property on Mountain Meadow Road. No action was taken pending reported on-going sales negotiations.

The committee discussed further the appeal of some property owners for tax relief in situations where there are no actual roads to access their properties. Discussion involved seeking attorney counsel, however, new Board members were reminded that attorney counsel has been sought and an opinion was rendered. David Neelon agreed to recirculate copies of attorney review to all Board members.

TREASURERS REPORT:

The Treasurer's report was mistakenly left at home but Jill assured everyone that she would e-mail it to the committee as soon as she gets home. Jill opened an additional account at the bank for \$12,000 to be transferred to for the purchase of the property from the Town of Becket. The signature cards were signed and Jill will send them out to the bank.

WARRANT:

The warrant was read and then accepted and signed.

LAKES REPORT:

Jeff handed out the report from Mark Bellud from Aquatic Control for the weed control. Jeff said the meeting went well with conservation to apply chemical control. We still need to get the approval though. We need to get approval as soon as possible due to the fact that this chemical has to be applied in early June. Total cost for this project would be \$23,500. This includes 3 out of 4 lakes. Next year and the following years would be much less. After the chemical is applied we then follow up with divers to pull the weeds. There was discussion that we have only budgeted \$10,000 for weed control. The committee would like to hire Wayne for the pulling of the weeds. Wayne has explained to Jeff that he has a problem once the weeds are pulled; he cannot transport them over the land. It was suggested that we also hire someone to help Wayne so he could be the one to transport the weeds to dumping area for Wayne.

The lakes report was accepted.

FEMA:

Margaret reported that she has been unable to identify a dollar amount that the Road District is owed, even after careful review of existing documents. Jeanne Pryor, former Treasurer, offered to review documents with Margaret to ascertain what the balance might be that she believes District is owed.

PROPERTY:

Terry handed out a trail of correspondence on the property sale. The Town of Becket will be having an auction on the property that we would like to purchase. Elizabeth will be invited to the auction. When the property goes to auction we would like to have the following language added to the description "For Conservation and Passive Recreation".

John then passed around a map of the property showing the surrounding parcels.

OTHER BUSINESS: Jeff passed out a flyer stating that there will be a Safety Boat Presentation on April 24, 2013 at the Town Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55.

Our next meeting will be on April 27, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Moretz
District Treasurer