

SHERWOOD GREENS ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE DISTRICT

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

September 7, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM.

Present were Prudential Committee members: John Kammerman, Margaret Rodriguez, Joe Gaze, Ken Einhorn, and Terry Hayden. Also present were: Kathy Borden, Treasurer; Jaime Garanzuay, District Superintendent.

The minutes for August were reviewed and accepted.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed and accepted. As part of the report, a new year -to-date expenditure report for FY14 was presented and accepted. This had been an ongoing request by the Committee. A shortfall in FY13's budget was noted and will be verified when the books are closed and a Balance Sheet is presented. Treasurer is ongoing with the closure.

The committee requested that a statement be secured from TD Bank attesting that the loan is closed/paid in full. The Treasurer was asked to follow up.

The Warrant #2014-03 totaling \$15,119.52 was reviewed and signed.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDANT REPORT:

Work on the culvert at Mike Kennelly's driveway is to continue until completion with a payment of \$800 needed. The motion was made and seconded to go forward with the expense. The amount will be paid from the operating budget. Discussions on the list of projects presented by John Kammerman.

New and bigger culverts for Trail Circle were discussed.

The beaver deceivers and the renewal and payment of Beaver Solutions contract were discussed. There may be grant monies still available from a previous award. Margaret offered to locate the application form from Linda Huebner from MSPCA and forward to the committee chair.

Terry Hayden requested a list of roads within the district and their priorities. Questions what are the district's obligations to these roads? And do the bylaws address these roads and passage-ways.

The Road report was accepted.

LAKES REPORT:

Ken Einhorn believed the consequence of Aquatic Control's herbicide application to the lakes yielded a good outcome but it will take a few months to complete its cycle. Going forward, Ken will try to reduce the frequency of lake bacteria testing to every 2 weeks from once weekly. (A cost savings)

Discussion on using the harvester to remove lake plants is too expensive. But hand-pulling weeds, in order to be successful, require a coordinated boat patrol to remove weeds to improve the efficiency of the divers. Steps are being set up for next year's pull in regards to people and permits.

A resident raised the need for mosquito control spraying due to the West Nile cases within the area and exposing residents to the risk. Margaret stated she would look into county-wide statistics of reported cases of human illness from West Nile. She noted that the State had a program for spraying and would look into whether it still was funded.

The Lake report was accepted.

Sherwood Greens campfire update:

It was stated and agreed upon that the fires on the personal property of owners was not the responsibility of the District. "Water and Roads" should be its only concern. All agreed.

Missing warrant that Jeanne Pryor needed was requested. Treasurer will scan to her.

Becket Property sale update:

Town appraised value of the land was set at \$56,000 and Mass law states a public auction must be held if value of property is greater than \$25,000. At this time the Town Administrator and officials are still working on it.

Vacancy on Prudential Committee:

District by-laws state that Committee cannot assign a temporary person to fill a vacancy on the committee. All nominations and voting must take place at Annual Meeting or specially called District Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM

The next meeting will be on October 5, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Borden
Treasurer