SHERWOOD GREENS ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE DISTRICT

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Meeting February 21, 2015

The meeting started at 9:05 am at the Becket Town Hall, 557 Main St.

In attendance were Prudential Committee members – John Kammerman, Ken Einhorn, Shawna Garanzuay, Mike Lavery, Terry Hayden and Margaret Rodriques. Also present were Kathy Borden Treasurer Jaime Garanzuay Road Superintendent, Ernie of Always Growing and resident Ken Hunter.

Minutes:

Reviewed Prudential Committee minutes for the January 3rd 2015 – motion passed to accept the minutes.

Discussion of **Road Projects** Ernie was next on the agenda.

The packet was split into 3 categories.

- 1. <u>Projects</u>: Totaled \$20,700 and included culvert replacements, tree removal, trench work and applying material to various roads. This group will be decided on order of importance after spring.
- <u>Grade, Rake, and Roll</u>: Totaled \$40,050. Ernie and Jaime gave an explanation of the lengthy list with the entrance way and many of the roads included. They discussed the needs and costs for each of the different roads.. Ernie explained the advantage of dirt road over pavement on the Greens. Black top or cement paving would be cost prohibitive. It was requested that they prioritize the list and report back to the committee.
- 3. <u>Maintenance List</u>: Totaled \$10,250. The list includes all the preventive maintenance that is done during the year.

Addressing the maintenance list, a motion was made to separate the usual budget line item of Maintenance \$19,000 into fixed Annual Costs and smaller ongoing maintenance. The activity includes mowing, spraying, leaves removal, inspection of culverts and ditching of a few roads. Motion passed to split the \$19,000 into \$11,500 and \$7,500.

Jaime will speak to the Town DPW about the "Down Hill" Grant. It is monies the Greens may receive for damages done to District property due to changes the state had done to their roadways.

Margaret spoke of the estimate from Foresights Land Services to provide grant application support with the Cost/Benefit Analysis Software that is part of the application process. She previously recommended that the Board appropriate and approve \$1000. Previous minutes should reflect that it did get approved.

Lake Report:

The Lake Maintenance line item on FY16 will incorporate the normal maintenance and the beaver control, testing and divers. Questions were asked about the liabilities in regard to resident's protection, workers on the lake, Ernie working around the lake and the divers themselves. Answers will be provided at the nest meeting.

Treasurer's Report accepted.

Warrant accepted and signed.

Road Report:

Jaime gave a detailed list plowing and road work from January 12 to February 20. Sand Barrels were distributed at 3 locations. Ken Hunter requested that the plows try to keep the driveways cleared. A second swipe would be greatly appreciated. Discussion was made about the large amount of snow this year and the high banks with the push backs were just still not wide enough people. A reminder to replace the Trail Circle sign was noted.

Motion to accept Road Report.

Other District Business:

At this time no information from Town Hall about purchase of property. Terry is looking into continuing with Elizabeth Goodman or getting new attorney.

Mike Lavery will go to the next Selectmen's meeting. He will request to be on the agenda and ask about the status of the property.

Shawna asked about Crime Watch and should we get it activated? It was noted that "informal action" is in motion at this time. Neighbors watch each other's home seems to be working.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Next meeting April 11, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted

Kathleen Borden, Asst Clerk