

SHERWOOD GREENS ROAD IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE DISTRICT

413-770-1660

Prudential Committee Minutes for December 2, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM

Present were Committee members John Kammerman, Terry Hayden, David Edgecomb and Michael Lavery. Also present were Kathy Borden, Treasurer; Tom Rock, District Superintendent

Opening of the meeting was a discussion on the conditions of the roads in the spring. Questions are forming for a later discussion with Ernie of Always Growing Inc. during this meeting.

Minutes:

There was one correction on the 'Road Report' concerning the removal of the cross-bar. After the correction, the November 4, 2017 minutes were reviewed and accepted. Dave and Michael reported on the issue of the Special and Annual meeting minutes and their acceptance. Mass Law has no verbiage and other states accept the minutes at the following Annual Meeting. Policy was agreed upon for the Greens Annual meeting to 'review' the minutes the following District meeting and formally accept at the next Annual meeting.

Interview for Clerk Position:

Laurie Boucher, Clerk for the Town of Blandford was interviewed and hired as the new District Clerk.

The responsibilities and duties pertaining to the District were explained to her and she can start January 6, 2018. Mike made a motion to appoint Laurie Boucher as

Interim District Clerk until the end of previous Clerk's term (June30, 2018). Motion accepted. Laurie will be sworn in at the January 6, 2018.

A contact list will be given to Tom Rock Rd Super and Laurie Boucher new Clerk.

Road Report:

Ernie of Always Growing Inc. was present to answer questions about the road situation and to get clarification on the future projects.

He presented the committee with a 7 item Priority List. The list was created by Ernie our Contractor and Tom the Road Superintendent. The report which totaled \$13,000. was reviewed and after a lengthy discussion on its effect on the FY18 budget, the list was accepted by the Board. (see attached list). It was determined that there will be enough funds to meet the needs of the spring upkeep.

Tom continued with his report stating that the fiberglass poles are up around the mailbox shed and along the main roadways. The old flag at the entrance was removed but the replacement needed new pulleys, rope and more staging for the task to be completed. Permission was granted for incurring the expenses and this task should be done as soon as possible.

Terry Hayden requested that the entrance light be repaired. Terry will contact Eversource for this service pertaining to the electric poles along Route 8 and Greens entrance.

The storm of Nov 19 caused the loss of power and downed trees with live wires found. Within 5 hours the power was restored. Always Growing continued to access and repair any further damages.

Nov 30: Tom and Ernie traveled all the roads of the Greens noting work to be done thus creating the Priority List.

Research on the entrance solar lights, either replacement or repair, will be done.

Road report was accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

There was a question on reimbursement to volunteers for mileage. The AG's office will be contacted for clarification. It was decided at this time that any commissioner would get permission before incurring the expense unless the payment to a volunteer is disallowed by the AG's office.

Treasurer's report was accepted.

Warrant:

The Warrant was signed following clarification of landscaping charges for the mail box shed.

Correspondence:

No correspondence was reported at this time.

Lakes Report:

John read Ken's lake. Solitude Lake Management will send final report in January with their recommendations of the pulling and the permits necessary. Final payment will be made at that time. Always Growing will cut and remove the phragmites during the winter months.

Lake report accepted.

Additional Business:

John has rented a storage bin at the Crandall's Self Storage of East Otis. The purpose is that all of the Greens' permanent records be collected from officials' homes and stored in one safe place. We are committed to December and will use at this time. More discussion to follow in January.

Pertaining to the website and the proxy attached to the by-laws incorrectly, Terry Hayden will rectify the situation.

Michael Lavery introduced the discussion of the Private property signs that are in the Greens and the problems they create. The Private Roads signs restricts the police actions against motor vehicle infractions. Pros and cons of the signs was discussed and no action will be taken until clarifying the situation with the current Chief of Police.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:29 AM

The next meeting will be held on January 6, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Borden

Assist Clerk