

CLASS V ROADS STUDY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JANUARY 20, 2015

Approved

Present: Sue MacKenzie, Dan Brand, Mimi Weinstein, Fred Stearns, Jim Jenks, Bill Malcolm.
Selectboard: Patty Jenks, Jay Smith

Meeting called to order 5:37 PM

1. Discussed Warrant article and how much to request given cost of most immediate projects. This discussion was put on hold for the public meeting. After the meeting and much debate it was decided to recommend asking for \$150,000.
2. Minutes approved for 12/16/14, 12/30/14, 1/6/15

Meeting adjourned 7:50 PM
Next meeting February 3, 2015
Respectfully submitted
/s/ Susan MacKenzie

TOWN OF LYME
Roads Committee & Select Board Public Meeting
Tuesday January 20, 2015 6pm Lyme Town Office Conference room

FOR INFORMATION TO ABUTTERS REGARDING
GOOSE POND ROAD PROJECT

Present: Roads Committee: Susan J. MacKenzie, Dan Brand, Mimi Weinstein, Jim Jenks, Bill Malcolm;
Road Agent: Fred Stearns; Select Board: C. Jay Smith, Patricia Jenks; Abutters: Sherman Phillips,
Douglas Balch, Gerry Caney, Pamela Poire; Engineers from CLD Engineering: Charles Hirshberg and
Dan Monette

Charlie Hirshberg explained the plans he and Dan Monette were presenting had been revised from prior ones to reflect changes asked for by the Roads Committee and Select Board. The scope of the project is based on plans to rebuild the entirety of Goose Pond Road from the Goose Pond Road/Baker Hill intersection to the top of the hill above the Hewes Farm headed southwest.

Sherman Phillips and Doug Balch, landowners with significant potential for affected land asked several questions pertaining to tree removal and access to a woods road already in place. They do not want any apple trees removed. Mr. Hirschberg suggested they all meet to view and flag the trees the plans show being removed. They will also view the woods road access. Sue MacKenzie will research if the improvement of this access during construction will require a driveway permit. Ms. Phillips and Mr. Balch indicated their willingness to have excess material and stumps trucked to a location on their property nearby the proposed construction site to help reduce trucking costs associated with material removal.

Mr. Hershberg discussed drainage issues with Pam Poire, whose property sits lower than the current road and is subject to excess water. He commented that any driveway culverts installed will require attentive maintenance to assure they operate correctly.

Sue MacKenzie asked if the road width could be narrowed from the proposed 22 feet to perhaps 18-20 feet. Mr. Hirschberg thought it could be reduced in width to 20 feet without compromising the integrity of the build. This type of project revision does have potential cost savings.

Mr. Hershberg asked if it would be helpful to know the projected costs of the project if done in stages; the first stage being approximately 1/3 of the build beginning at the Goose Pond Road/Baker Hill intersection-that being the most densely populated and needing the most extensive drainage work. This would be appreciated and he'll work toward getting the information to MacKenzie next week.

CLD Engineering representatives will meet with Phillips/Balch and Road Committee members tentatively on Tuesday January 27th at 11am on Goose Pond Road to look at trees and potential culvert sites. Fred Stearns will contact Donna Gray to see if she can participate in this informational gathering as her property has significant drainage issues and she was not able to attend this meeting.

The abutters and CLD Engineering representatives were thanked for their participation.
The meeting closed at 7:15pm.

After the abutters left the meeting, Dan Brand asked Mr Hirshberg to come up with his recommendation on prioritizing improvements between Goose Pond and River Roads for expending the \$450,000 we hope to have available to the town, including the proposed warrant article requesting \$150,000. Mr Hirshberg said he would do this, based on cost effectiveness criteria, recognizing that some work most likely need to be done on both roads..

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Jenks-recorder

