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Draft Minutes of the Legislative Council Ad Hoc Committee for Policy and Planning of Roads Meeting

The Roads Committee met on Wednesday, February 17, 2016 in the Municipal Center, 3 Primrose Lane, Newtown Room 1. Committee Chairman Anthony Filiato called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

Present: Anthony Filiato

Also in attendance: Anthony Klabonski, Eva Bermudez & Director of Public Works Fred Hurley

Absent: Mary Ann Jacobs & Deputy Director of Planning Rob Sibley.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motioned made by Mr. Filiato Seconded by Mr. Klabonski, unanimous approval. Mr. Filiato pointed out that the last formal meeting was on November 4, 2015. Last meeting schedule did not reach a quorum, so only one set of minutes to be approved.

COMMUNICATIONS: Correspondence from Maureen Crick-Owen in regards to not receiving meeting documents, Mr. Filiato & Ms. Jacobs responded and he sent the necessary information.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion on Board of Selectmen meeting and recommendations from the board, followed by revision of next steps.

Committee discussed takeaways from Board of Selectman meeting: consolidate the suggestions and reference them, create a system of categorizing the roads and review specific road plan for private associations.

A main concern is the time line, approaching constituents and association members considering that this may be three year process or longer. We should a compile a list of all the associations. We should also review which roads are owned by the home owner v. the association. Also review how large is the road system in said association. Mr. Filiato assigned Mr. Klabonski and Ms. Zimmerman compiling association information. Fred will be performing a title search on road ownership in the different areas; for example Cedar Hurst, Shady Rest, Riverside....

Mr. Hurley currently has a system for current status of roads on paving and drainage. The categories are: excellent, good, poor.

Mr. Klabonski wanted to know what procedure for paving is. Mr. Hurley clarified that they do milling occasionally but always makes sure to give the roads a good base. Mr. Klabonski asked if it made since to do something that buys us time on a dirt road and pave it when you haven't addressed all issues Mr. Hurley emphasized the importance of drainage and added that If it's going to be done correctly, it has to be done correctly from the first. Mr. Hurley expressed how each road project tries to have the best investment long term. The 10-12 year plans not one year plans. Fred mentioned it doesn't make since economically to rush a job and only half do it even if it's for the sake of doing something. This is different than the current way of pavement planning of doing it in phases. Sometime it may take two years to do three miles but its phase of a greater plan.

Bridges have a separate line item for allocation of funds. Currently we have a 12 year plan just for bridges. Good news is that the state is redoing their municipal funds program this year (2016). Mr. Hurley will be looking at applying for those additional funds. Committee also discussed looking into roads that could be categorized but removed for repaving/ paving list due to structural reason like: streams, cliffs,

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structural complications.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

OLD BUSINESS: none

Mr. Filiato motioned to adjourn at 7:05pm Ms. Bermudez seconded, unanimously passed.

Action items: Ms. Jacobs looking at the reformatting the organization of road ordinance's that includes the current suggestions. Looking at ordinances and cross referencing what intersects with this project for ex. scenic roads. Mr. Filiato will be working with Mr. Hurley on how to structure the roads categorizes. Reviewing the code system and adding coding details like width as part of categories. Mr. Klabonski and Ms. Zimmerman will compile association information.

Next meeting possibly the week of March 14<sup>th</sup>

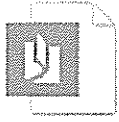
Respectfully Submitted,

Eva Bermudez  
Ad Hoc Committee on Roads Secretary

Attachments: Supporting documents on roads passed out during meeting.  
*These minutes are subject to approval by the Legislative Council at the next regular ad hoc Roads Committee meeting. All corrections will be determined in minutes of the meeting at which they were corrected.*

**Ad-hoc Roads Committee Correspondence:**

2 attachments (total 9.0 MB)



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**From:** Tony Filiato

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 26, 2016 3:48 PM

**To:** Mary Ann Jacob; Maureen Crick Owen

**Subject:** RE: Ad Hoc Roads Committee

Ms. Crick Owen:

Apologies, I can find nothing in my ymail account concerning your request. I did see that Sue sent you the BOS minutes. The attachments are voluminous. I will try to get them out with this e-mail, they may have to be chopped up (I am out of town working from a laptop). As an aside, as reported at the BOS meeting, there is no legal memo appendix as it is a work in progress. If all else is not attached to this e-mail, please let me know and I will have to try something else. I also note that there is nothing in the appendices that are not attached to the minutes of the various Committee meetings found on the Town website.

Apologies for the mix up.

Best Regards,

Tony Filiato

**From:** Mary Ann Jacob [<mailto:mjacob4404@charter.net>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 26, 2016 10:07 AM

**To:** Maureen Crick Owen; Tony Filiato

**Subject:** Re: Ad Hoc Roads Committee

Hi Maureen,

Sorry about that. Tony travels quite a bit but I will check on this for you today. I have copied his work email address too.

Mary Ann

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 26, 2016, at 9:21 AM, Maureen Crick Owen <[maureencrickowen@gmail.com](mailto:maureencrickowen@gmail.com)> wrote:

Dear Mary Ann and Mr. Filiato,

I have not had the courtesy of a response from Mr. Filiato regarding my request for a copy of the draft recommendations regarding the roads. I did, however, obtain a copy of them which were attached to the Board of Selectmen's minutes from their meeting of January 19, 2016. The draft recommendations as submitted to the Board of Selectmen refer to Appendices A, B, C, D and E. I am requesting a copy of the appendices. Would you please email them to me?

Thank you, in advance, for your assistance.

Regards,

Maureen Crick Owen

Cell: 203.733.4562

On Fri, Jan 22, 2016 at 1:34 PM, Maureen Owen <[maureencrickowen@gmail.com](mailto:maureencrickowen@gmail.com)> wrote:

Dear Mr. Filato,

In follow up to Mary Ann's email of Monday, I would appreciate your sending me a copy of the recommendations regarding the roads matter that was discussed at your meeting on Tuesday, January 19th. You may email them to me or mail them to me at my address below. Thank you.

Regards,

Maureen Crick Owen

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**From:** Mary Ann Jacob [mailto:[mjacob4404@charter.net](mailto:mjacob4404@charter.net)]

**Sent:** Monday, January 18, 2016 12:51 PM

**To:** Maureen Crick Owen; [tonyfiliato@gmail.com](mailto:tonyfiliato@gmail.com)

**Subject:** Re: Ad Hoc Roads Committee

Hi Maureen,

I don't believe they have been approved by the committee yet but I'm copying the committee chair, Tony Filiato on your note. I'm sure he can help you.

Mary Ann

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 18, 2016, at 11:26 AM, Maureen Crick Owen <[maureencrickowen@gmail.com](mailto:maureencrickowen@gmail.com)> wrote:

Dear Mary Ann,

With regards to the Ad Hoc Committee for Policy and Planning for Roads being held tomorrow night at 6:00 p.m., where might I obtain a copy of the draft recommendations? I do not see them on the Town's website and would like to review them.

Thank you.

Maureen Crick Owen

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