

TOWN OF PRINCETON, MA
Princeton Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
18 November 2013

AB Chair, John Shipman, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

AB members in attendance were: John Shipman, Jim Comer, George Handy, Jim O'Coin, Dave Cruise, and Wayne Adams. Absent: Joe Lotuff

Princeton Road Committee Presentation

Chair John Shipman introduced Larry Greene, Chair of the Princeton Road Committee, and fellow road committee members Kevin Toohey and Mickey Splaine.

Larry Greene presented the funds available and FY15 through FY19 road plan for the Town of Princeton (spreadsheets were distributed). Emphasis was placed on increasing the budget for roads by \$50K from \$225K to \$275K. This is primarily due to the cost of Type I (asphalt) which has gone from \$20/yd to \$76/yd currently. Larry also asked for an additional \$108K (Phase III-GPI) engineering Rt. 140. Discussions followed regarding Chapter 90-15 reimbursements and the Rt. 140 STRAP grant application, with explanations on reimbursements YTD and future.

John Shipman commented that roads are considered a package to the citizens of Princeton and are expected to be safe and in good condition. He stated that the Advisory Board will take the Road Committee's requests under advisement and reconvene with the Road Committee at a future date TBD.

New Business

A motion was made to make John Shipman, Chairman, and Jim Comer, Secretary of the Princeton Advisory Board for 2014. The motion was seconded and approved by all in attendance.

The Advisory Board agreed to pursue the WRSD Town of Princeton budget appropriation with regards to the fairness of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts formula for towns. The Board of Selectmen endorsed this and suggested that we solicit support from key Princeton citizens, local political representatives and the WRSD Administration/School Committee. John Shipman will set dates and times for a meeting regarding next steps for WRSD allocation of appropriated funds and state aid criteria.

Per the request of John Lebeaux and members of the BOS, the Advisory Board approved a reserve fund request for transfer to the Veterans Expense Account in the amount of \$4,500.

Motion to Adjourn

John Shipman, Chair, moved to adjourn the 18 November 2013 board meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Comer, Secretary