

**Town of Princeton, MA  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Tree Hearing  
August 11, 2008**

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**The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Present were Chairman Raymond Dennehy, Alan Sentkowski, Joe O'Brien and Town Administrator Dennis Rindone.**

**Public Tree Hearing for Hobbs Road**

The hearing opened at 5:00 pm. Raymond read the notice of public hearing for the removal of 75 roadside trees designated by number between Beaman Road and Route 140. The removal was requested by the Highway Department for road and drainage reconstruction. Highway Superintendent Glenn Lyons and Tree Warden Joe Lee were present for the discussion. Also present was Larry Greene, Road Advisory Committee.

Raymond read a letter from William & Pamela Lindquist, expressing their concern about the number of trees previously taken down and now again a large number scheduled to be removed. Glenn and Larry explained the road is very difficult in the winter. Drainage needs to be improved and shoulders created for safety and snow removal. As far as concerns about drainage on private property, Glenn said it would be an improvement. All stumps will be removed by the Highway Department. All wood will be available to the neighbors for personal use.

Joe moved to approve the removal of the 75 trees on Hobbs Road and Beaman Road with the stipulation depending upon the judgment of Joe Lee and Glenn Lyons to work with the neighbors on any trees that don't need to be removed. Alan seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Also requested for removal is a 24" diameter Hickory tree located at the driveway of 15 Gregory Hill Road, which is a sight line. There were no objections to the removal of this tree. Alan moved to approve the removal of the 24" diameter Hickory tree. Joe seconded. All in favor (3-0).

Concern was expressed over a large Oak tree by the library with large dead branches. Trustees will submit a request and Joe Lee will add to his list to prune.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Brenda Savoie  
Administrative Secretary