

Thursday, November 12, 2015

Minutes- Selectboard 8 AM November 12 2015

1. Call to order at 8am- Attendance: John Ogden, Greg Eckhardt, Jeremiah Evarts, Chrystal Cleary, Andrea Ogden, Priscilla Grayson, Steve Hall
2. Motion to approve previous meeting's minutes- Approved unanimously
3. Motion to enter executive session
4. Resume regular session- Conservation Commission member Priscilla brought up the maintenance of trails in Pitcher Forest. Discussion of volunteer labor vs hired maintenance. It was decided that the Trail in Pitcher Forest would be included as a Route to choose at Green Up Day.
5. Roads- Steve brought up the road quality in front of Mostoller/Schubert home, and whether to raise the road a foot, clear out a culvert and/or provide ditching on the sides. The summer budget is spent, and it is too late in the season to truly fix the road for long term durability. Steve will contact Karl about the options and check on that culvert pipe, and solving it in the Spring.
7. Jerry went to the Winhall SB meeting to get more info about hiring the Winhall Police Dept to enforce speed limits in Landgrove for a few weeks. The cost would be \$10,000 for 4-6 hours a week of enforcement time, and there is a risk of that cost being eaten up quickly if any stop reveals greater violation (DUI, drug possession) requiring the officer to do a lot of desk work and court appearance to prosecute. Steve feels strongly against the traffic enforcement presence in town. Andrea noted that Londonderry recently went through a policing discussion, formed a committee which recommended the hire of police but the decision will be presented to the voters at Town Meeting for the official

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decision. It was agreed that, having done the research, Landgrove will also put the question to the voters at Town Meeting.

The 20 mph speed limit posted in the Village is below the state minimum for any unpaved road, making it legally unenforceable. Chrystal will rewrite our Traffic Ordinance and post the ordinance as required by law. Once voted for adoption by the Selectboard at a future meeting, Chrystal will order 3 signs to replace the 20mph ones in the village.

8. DFIRM- Deadlines for the legally required warning period prior to approval of the new federal flood regulations have been missed by the Planning Commission, so Chrystal will warn a meeting for November 30 at 8 am for the Selectboard to adopt Interim Regs so that Landgrove residents who might be eligible for Federal flood insurance will have that option. Due to tight warning times, the daily Rutland Herald was chosen as the paper of record.

9. John will repair the outdoor lights serving the porch and flagpole.

10. Nichols Road site research- Jerry spoke with Donna Nichols, owner of an adjacent property to the Brown parcel being considered, and John provided some drawings of how a building may fit on the site. John will contact Mary English about seeking a variance on the required setback. Chrystal will invite Mary to the next meeting to discuss the setback.

Meeting adjourned at 9:43 AM

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Submitted by Chrystal Cleary, Town Clerk