

Duxbury Selectboard Meeting, Monday 9/26/11, 6:00 pm , Town meeting room

Members present: JoAnn Berno, Dick Charland, Craig Isvak, Mike Marshall, Ames Robb

Others present: Jeff Poitras, Robert & Tamar Billado, Brenda Hartshorn, Stephanie Koonz, Greg Trulson, Lars Dickson, Patty Delaney, Ken Scott, Bob Magee, David Specht, Jamie Ervin, Lincoln Pierce, Tom Hart, Cara Capparelli, Shawnee Perry, Steve Manosh

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

Steve Manosh and Dick Charland provided a road report and update on road projects. Crossett Hill Bridge 35 is underway. They hope to be done by the end of Nov. or early Dec. Camel's Hump Bridge 41 also underway; bridge closed to traffic 9/26 & 9/27. In response to a resident's complaint to the Governor's office about work in the brook, Patrick Ross was sent to upper Camel's Hump road on 9/23. Work was stopped for a couple of hours while Patrick Ross evaluated the situation, and then he gave the OK to restart work.

There was a meeting with our FEMA representative this morning regarding road projects. We are on track from FEMA's perspective.

The work on the slide on Lower Camel's Hump Rd is suspended while the town works out an agreement with the property owners whose property must be crossed to access the brook (Tom Hart & Cara Capparelli). They are meeting with Patrick Ross at the site on Wednesday morning, 9/28. They are also having their attorney review the agreement sent by Grenier on behalf of the Town. They would like assurances that the proposed work in the brook will not cause future flooding to their home.

Steve Manosh still has Pollander Road work on his list. Steve and John Grenier will look at the brook/gravel issue at the Billado's (corner Morse Rd. and Crossett Hill Rd.). Brenda Hartshorn requested that her property also be on the list to be addressed before spring (Steve said it already is). Dick Charland noted that all of these projects will need to be prioritized in the full list of work that needs to be done.

Jamie Ervin addressed the board regarding Front Porch Forum. Research is being done on bringing Front Porch Forum to Duxbury (in conjunction with Waterbury and Waterbury Center). Could accommodate 1000 members in each of the three towns and serve as an effective communication tool (as the North Duxbury Groupsite has for that neighborhood). Research will continue including exploring options to fund the cost of the project (\$1500 per town if all three join together). Waterbury LEAP could serve as a host for grant funding.

Paperwork was signed by board members to secure the \$1.5 million line of credit for emergency road work. Ken Scott said the funds would be available in our bank account on Tuesday morning, 9/27, after this paperwork is submitted.

There is a bill for Duxbury website hosting and maintenance/updating from Dan MacWalters. We have requested detail on the 18 hours of website updating billed. JoAnn made a motion to pay the \$80 hosting fee that was invoiced, but to hold off on paying the charge for website updating until we get the detail from Dan. Ames seconded. All in favor.

Ken Scott reported that the voter checklist was purged and letter submitted to the Secretary of State's office on 7/26/11.

Mike Feulner requested via letter delivered 9/12 that the town provide access to our reserves of gravel to help fill his property where damaged during Irene. Because the town gravel pit is almost depleted, this is not something the town can do. Several people at the meeting offered suggestions for other gravel/fill options for Mike, including some free and very nearby (lower Camel's Hump Rd.). JoAnn made a motion to deny Mike's request. Craig seconded. All in favor.

Ken reported that the ads for road crew positions have been run in the following papers (all on Thursdays, 9/22 & 9/29): Times Argus, Waterbury Record, Valley Reporter. Deadline for applications is Monday, 10/3. It was requested that Ken also post the ad on Craigslist and in this Wednesday – Sunday Times Argus (9/28-10/2) and he agreed. Only one application has been received to date.

Old Business:

David Specht requested that his issue on Morse Road be addressed. Dick agreed that he would take a look but said it is not as high priority as some of the other issues facing the town now.

Bob Magee suggested that the town research a potential gravel source on the Winooski accessed by Ralph Davis' property on River Rd.

Motion to adjourn by Craig. Second by JoAnn. All in favor, adjourned at 7:05 pm.