

# *Town of Pembroke*

## *Roads Committee*

311 Pembroke Street, Pembroke, NH 03275

### MINUTES

Tuesday, September 4, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

#### **1. Attendance:**

Present: Oscar Plourde, Floyd Smith, Paulette Malo, Jim Boisvert, Mark Zydell, Buddy Curley, Maurice Lavoie, Henry Malo  
Unavailable: Selectmen Fred Kline

#### **2. New Business:**

- a. **CIP Sidewalk Repairs:** Fred Kline sent an email detailing his meeting with the CIP Committee. He stated that the only concern was regarding the sidewalks projects in light of the “trouble” the Town encountered this year. Paulette questioned what the “trouble” was and the Committee determined it meant the sidewalk project went over budget by approximately \$900.00. Jimmy explained that it went over budget because a resident and a Selectmen complained to the Town Administrator that two more sections of sidewalk needed to be paved and Jimmy was ordered to take care of those sections of sidewalk. Oscar stated that if the Selectmen make changes to the Roads Committee’s recommendations then they should notify the Roads Committee of their changes. Fred’s email continues to say that we need to be able to show the CIP Committee that patching is the way to go. His thoughts were to show the CIP Committee the details about the reason we are patching vs. rebuilding (if we rebuild the sidewalks then they have to be built to current standards) and we need to show the CIP Committee the steps we can take to avoid the surprises we had this year.
- b. **No. Pembroke Road Bridge Update:** Jim stated that work has started on the bridge and the Town’s loader and six-wheeler are at the bridge site and tomorrow Jim will be up there starting to remove the deck with the loader. The road is closed and everything is posted with detour signs. There is one crew from the state working on the bridge.
- c. **E2 Ratings:** Oscar stated that in the wake of the Minneapolis Bridge Disaster a meeting was held at AGC with the Dept. of Transportation and they explained to all the contractors that now all E2 rated bridges will no longer handle certification, just plain weight in accordance with Federal Law. Any road in NH with an E2 bridge will not sustain any overweight trucks. They said it should have been like that but they never enforced it. Oscar said that when he gets the literature on E2 Ratings he will bring it to the Roads Committee.

- d. **Plan Review:** Laura Scott would like the Roads Committee's recommendations on a set of plans for opening Upper Beacon Hill Road. Jimmy stated that the plans are in the Road Committee's mailbox at the Town Hall and it will be on next month's agenda.

### 3. Any Old Business

- a. **Sidewalk and Parking on Main Street from Church Street to Kimball:** Jim stated that one of the sections of sidewalk that was repaved beyond the Committees recommendations was the same section that yellow paint was requested on the curbing on Main Street, which the Roads Committee denied. Jim stated that now the cars are parking on top of the berm, which was put there to hold the banking. Oscar stated that from what he's seen the cars have been parking more in the road since they talked about getting tickets from the Police Department for parking on the sidewalk. Jim stated that the parking problems are on the lower end of Main Street from Church Street to going up to Kimball Street. Jim stated that the first two apartment houses on the lower end from Church Street going up to Kimball are the biggest problem. He doesn't think they have enough parking spaces for all the tenants. Oscar stated that he had noticed lately that they have been parking in the street more frequently. Jim stated that when Broadway is reconstructed the first two houses on the right have no parking. He also stated that there is a No Parking Here to Corner sign but the sign isn't far enough and the Board of Selectmen would have to move it. Oscar stated that the parking is real rough on Main Street. Oscar requested the Committee recommend to the Selectmen that there should be no parking on the right hand side of Main Street from Church Street to the top of Turnpike Street. He stated that parking here is dangerous, it's right in the road and it's the crown of the road. When the street was redone they didn't go into the banking and the road shrunk a hair and with more traffic and bigger cars he thinks a traffic study needs to be done. Henry questioned if this was for the Police Department to recommend but Oscar stated that they only enforce the laws that are in place. Paulette questioned parking on the side of the road being a safety issue and that would make it more of a Police issue. Jim stated that four months ago a Church Road resident was concerned about a stop sign being installed and Jim has since informed Geoff Ruggles who has forwarded the concern to the Chief of Police for his recommendations. Paulette stated that on November 15<sup>th</sup> the parking ban goes into effect and we should keep an eye on the parking from now until then. Oscar requested this subject be postponed to next months meeting so the Roads Committee can monitor parking until the next meeting before the Committee makes a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen.
- b. **Woodlawn Ridge Culvert Replacement:** Henry asked why the depth was not the same when the culvert on Woodlawn Ridge was replaced and Jimmy stated that it is the same depth but just looks different because everything is sloped.
- c. **2008 Primary Road Paving & Sidewalk Schedules:** Floyd explained that the Committee made up a primary road budget of items that needed to be done next year and Fred Kline wanted the Committee to show the roads that the Committee pushed off the list. When Floyd was reading previous meeting minutes he noticed a mistake on the Fourth Range Road calculations. There should have been \$28,000.00 allotted for gravel totaling \$33,860.00 for additional work for Fourth Range Road.
- d. **Nadine Drive Culverts:** Paulette questioned if anyone walked the culvert. Jim stated that he did walk the culvert and it's metal. Paulette questioned whether re-lining would be better.

Jim got a quote for re-lining the culvert and Oscar stated that it would cost two or three times more than a regular culvert. Jim stated that the 82' x 36" culvert would cost \$35,000.00 to re-line and the 100' x 6' culvert would be \$73,000.00 to re-line. Jim explained that relining culverts involves putting a new pipe in and grouting it. You wouldn't have to hold the water or sewer, you wouldn't be digging up the road and you wouldn't be using the Town's employees. Jim explained that by us doing the Woodlawn Ridge culvert ourselves with Jeffers Excavation we saved the Town \$30,000.00. Jim stated that he will take pictures of both pipes tomorrow and bring the pictures to the Committee.

#### **4. Accept Minutes**

##### **a. 08/07/07 Minutes - Amended**

**Motion:** Paulette moved to accept the minutes as amended.

**Seconded:** By Moe

**Vote:** All in favor, **motion passed**

October 2, 2007 at 7:00 pm is the next meeting.

#### **5. Adjourn**

**Motion to Adjourn:**

**Motion:** Floyd made the motion to adjourn

**Seconded:** By Henry

**Vote:** All in favor, **motion passed**

**Adjourned:** 9:15 P.M