

Road Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2012

Attendance: Jiri Hajek, Roger Thompson, Christina Goodwin, Glen Hanson

Absent: Chuck Stata, Barrie Sawyer

Meeting called to order 6:10 p.m.

The Road Committee met tonight to discuss the priority recommendations for paving/repairs for 2012. Glen advised that there was \$25,000 in paving/repairs from the warrant article and the Committee needed to determine what to recommend to the Select Board.

In preparation, Roger had gathered some information about a project that his employer did on Buffalo Road in Rumney. This portion of the road was done approximately 2 years ago without borings. The process involved the removal of 18 inches of material and then placing down fabric, 12 inches of good gravel, 6 inches of crushed gravel, 2 inches of binder paving and then 1 inch of finished paving. The employer also stated that paving areas over 300 feet is more cost prohibitive than smaller areas.

Glen feels that Groton should do 24 inches and anything with a hill should be under-drained with 3 inches of binder and 1 or 1 ½ inches of top paving.

The section near 1204 North Groton Road that is being considered as priority is about 225 feet down the hill. Roger was quoted that the cost to do this section would be about \$110 per foot. Glen believes for this year, that the Highway Department can accomplish this. He can do with his equipment and the materials would be purchased out of the warrant article and the boulder removal out of general maintenance. The Committee would like to consider for bigger projects in the next few years to be bid out. The Committee believes this is the best place to start and to move up the hill in the next few years.

Glen confirms that the culvert crossings will be done separate from the warrant article and potentially some asphalt to fix areas of the part of North Groton Road where boulders were removed last year.

Glen also believes that going to Lebanon to Blacktop is the best choice to purchase paving. The State had advised him that there were issues with using Pike in Northfield. Both places are about the same length of time.

Glen will get a count of boulders and some estimates for cost for the presentation to the Select Board. Christina will have the Committee added to the agenda for the next Board meeting, which is June 19th.

The next Road Committee meeting will be a field meeting to go over Sculptured Rocks Road and is scheduled for June 20, 2012 at 6:00 pm starting at the Groton Town Offices.