Town of Groton – Road Committee Meeting September 24, 2019

Meeting commenced 6:02 PM.

In attendance: Tony Albert, Robert (Bubba) Ellis, Ruth Millett, James Joyce & Ann Joyce.

Absent: Jeremy Haney, Dan Tobine & Roger Thompson.

Paving on Sculptured Rocks Road from Sculptured Rocks State Park to within 1000-1200 feet short of 7 Kids Lane will be done on Sept. 25th. By the middle of October, we should have an answer regarding the hazard mitigation grant for the box culverts. Jean Shaheen has been instrumental in pushing through this grant for the town. This is a 50-50 split with the cost to the town of Groton being \$250,000. Bids for the engineering of the box culverts can be accomplished this year with work to be completed in the spring of 2020. Grind the whole road up to Sculptured Rocks Park, replace 8-10 culverts, create an underdrain system & bring the road up 16"-18" up to the little hut on the left & 2 trailers on the right in the fenced in area before Maxam's property. Raising the road will create ditches on the side of the road because of all the ledge this should alleviate drainage issues. There is a spot farther up on the river that is Fish & Game land. The river needs to be cleaned. The Army Corp of Engineers are not returning calls. Water is not running through where the new bridge is because of all debris in the river that is on state owned land.

On Edgar Albert Road the bridge is narrower because a large root was washed out during the July storm. FEMA is going out Oct 1st for a site visit throughout the town. Trying to get a new box culture that is between 18 to 20 feet wide here to replace current culvert.

Shim from Helen Santoro to Halls Brook Road. The cracks beyond Helen's to Christina & a 1" binder course will be completed next year. All money that was allocated for road repairs are spent for 2019 due to all the storms with additional money taken out of the police department budget for emergency road repairs.

River road will need attention in 2021.

Hopefully we will be able to combine FEMA money to complete all Sculptured Rocks Road at one time, pricing would be better if it could be done in one continuous run.

Meeting Adjourned 6:42 PM.

Next meeting Nov 12, 2019 at 6PM.