TOWN OF ELMORE, VTMonthly Select Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes – prepared by C. DeVore Status: APPROVED

Meeting Date: September 14, 2016 Start Time: 6:33 pm Adjourn: 7:41 pm

Meeting Attendees: Robert Burley - ESB Chairman, Caroline DeVore - ESB, Robb Wills - ESB,

Michel LaCasse- Road Commissioner

A. SPECIAL TOPICS:

1. EMPLOYEE RECRUITMENT: ESB to review and approve media ad to replace 1 Full Time Highway Department employee. Posting that is in compliance with VT open posting law was approved by SB.

B. NEW ITEMS:

- 1. LAND TRANSFER: ESB to approve Quit Claim deed to E.B.Hyde Inc. to clear glebe land parcel for transfer & conserve of full 600ac to VLT.
 - SB moved to make B. Burley the Town Agent for the Quit Claim Deed land transfer.
- 2. Department of Labor Unemployment Insurance Appeal Options: Review options. To be covered during Executive Session.
- 3. FCC Concurrence Letter- Approve use of identical radio frequency in Thornton-Compton, NH for Emergency Services. No radio frequency conflict. Use of identical frequency approved.
- 4. ATV Policy Atty. Black requested town policy on ATVs. Town uses State guidelines: No ATVs unless ESB specifically approved. As noted, Town follows State guidelines. Since Town has no specific policy permitting ATVs, none are allowed on town roadways.
- 5. LITTLE ELMORE POND trail damage due to ATVs. VLT has solicited Elmore assistance to reduce/prevent increasing damage. Town to post no ATV use at Town-controlled access points to Little Elmore Pond Road. Signage exists on Micklin Farm entrance.
- 6. ANR GRANTS: Clean Diesel grants may be available. Burley/LaCasse investigated existing town equipment not eligible for replacement.
- SILT FILLED CULVERT: 4232 Elmore Mtn Rd Burley met with land owner. Culvert silted low point in terrain – Town to riprap upstream, landowner to create outflow to private land IAW ANR Water Quality Regs.

C. CONTINUING ACTIVE ITEMS:

1. Road Commissioner Update – LaCasse

Work Completed:

- Grading when necessary.
- Sand pile completed.
- Help a land owner and logger do hazardous tree removal on stretch of East Elmore Rd.
 Right of Way infringement allows the Town to assist with removal.
- Fixed head wall on large culvert on East Elmore Rd, required hiring flaggers.
- Changed four culverts, debermed and stone line on top of Brown Hill Rd.
- Ditch work on Gates Farm Rd.
- Repaired Bliss Hill and Churchill Road after August 16 rain storm.
- Storage garage freshly painted.

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Equipment status:

- Truck #2 still waiting for parts on sanding equipment.
- Looking at grader options proposed from John Deere, Case and Caterpillar (Cat unresponsive after four attempts - last call August 9th).
- Case Beauregard equipment dealer has lightly used 2012, 865B AWD 150 hrs that deserves consideration.

Employee Status:

Wayne Tallman and Phil Cote filling in.

Upcoming Issues:

- Grader
- Personnel
- Mountain Road grant project to replace culverts. Grant allows 18 months to use.
- 2. ROAD GRADER: Limited capabilities performing stop gap maintenance; Monitor for metal; Researching available replacements and cost impacts.
- 3. TRUCK #2: Assigned to Cookson, out of service for 4+ weeks due to lack of basic maintenance and lubrication. Replacement parts ordered. Anticipated unplanned \$8K costs.
- 4. AGGRESSIVE DOG: Hayford Rd. Burley inspected. Fencing will not contain dog. Monitor for repeat occurrence. DeVore to follow-up with Mr. Shaw on current status. / continuing issues.

D. COMPLETED/INACTIVE ITEMS:

1. Open Action Item List reviewed by SB.

E. SB VOTED TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Entered Executive 7:16pm

Minutes not taken during session.

Executive Session ended at 7:38pm.