Town of Groton - Road Committee Minutes April 4, 2018

In attendance: Robert "Bubba" Ellis, Christina Goodwin, Anne Joyce, Dan Tobine, Jeremy Haney, Tony Albert

Others Present: James Joyce

Absent: Roger Thompson, Ruth Millett

Appointments

The Board appointed Ruth Millett, Jeremy Haney, Tony Albert, Dan Tobine, and Anne Joyce.

North Groton Road Project

The Committee reviewed the bid specifications and proposed RFP worksheet, made changes and recommendations Bubba reported that there were 11 culverts along this section. It was 5,010 If from the gravel section to the Town line and then the gravel section was 3,595 If. The total project is 8,605 If. The Committee feels the sooner the project gets done the better. We would like to see a decision be made with the Select Board by 5/1 and then the project completed in plenty of time for the start of school. Christina will prepare the documents for the next meeting for the group to review and finalize for the April 17 Select Board meeting

Highway Safety Letter - Stop sign request

The Committee reviewed the letter about the stop sign decline from the Department of Safety. There are a lot of concerns with this intersection but there would also be a lot of research and reports to gather in order to get the sign considered. The Committee feels that this should be placed on hold for now.

Driveway Permit / Regulations

The Committee would like the regulations we recommend to the Board to also be incorporated by the Planning Board. In the interim, the Committee made adjustments to the driveway permit application that will be submitted to the Select Board for approval and so it will begin to be used for all new driveways. The regulations were tabled to a May meeting.

Road Maintenance Log

The Committee reviewed the log created by Sara Smith. She has done a good job getting a log started. With some minor changes, the Committee felt that it would be ready to use and start putting information in to share. A breakdown of what should be tracked included but not limited to: type of road surface, length of road, type of work to be done vs what is completed each year, the culvert locations and types, and a priority level.

Other items

The Committee would like to start looking at all the roads and noting status and priority levels.

Next Meeting

The Committee will meet again on April 12, 2018 at 6:00pm to discuss the proposed package for the Board to consider at the April 17, 2018 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Road Committee