

**TOWN OF GLOVER, VERMONT  
SELECT BOARD MEETING  
GLOVER MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2009**

Offices Present: Jason Choquette-Select Board Chair, Tara Nelson-Selectperson/Board Clerk, Bucky Shelton-Selectman, Donna Sweeney-Town Clerk/Treasurer, Harvey Dunbar-Road Foreman

Guests: Linda Gilman, Walt Culver, Jim Daniels, Glenn Lafont, Gary Leach

1. Jason called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.
2. Linda Gilman discussed a letter she wrote to the select board regarding the low water level at Shadow Lake. Linda and Walt Culver presented pictures they took showing the low water level. Walt said it is lower than it has been in 30 years. Adjustments were made at the dam in anticipation of heavy rains which never happened; therefore resulting in a low water level. Bucky asked if the Shadow Lake Association is looking to be responsible for the dam. Linda and Walt both said they were not. The Lake Association would like to work with the select board and the state to find a “happy medium” for the lake level. Linda also noted that Mark Giardi would like the ruts fixed on his property that were made when trees were cut there.
3. Jim Daniels will be building a new camp on West Shore Road for a customer. The old structure will be taken down and the new foundation will be put in the same place as the old one. The old foundation is 22 feet from the center of the road, and the town right of way is 25 feet. Donna said past practice has been to allow this, as long as the new foundation is in the same place as the old one. The board suggested that Jim be sure the new structure isn't any closer than 22 feet. Harvey said to be sure the property owner realizes the town isn't responsible for any damages such as broken windows from plowing. Donna said there is a similar situation on the other side of the lake, and there is a letter on file, signed by the property owner, stating the town isn't responsible for any damage. The board approved Jim's request and thanked him for addressing the board with his questions.
4. Gary Leach gave an update on the sewer project.
  - A. Glenn Lafont went through the operator training on Wednesday. Glenn asked when the board wants the Barton meter read. It was done daily in the past, but Gary feels weekly readings would be sufficient. He also suggested reading all of the pumps, including the Route 16 one, at the same time. Gary will create a spreadsheet for Donna to enter Glenn's readings on so all the data is at the same place.

- B. Glenn mentioned that the “basket” at the Route 16 pump needs cleaning out. It is full, mostly with rubber gloves and stockings. This is an ongoing problem and it has been for years. Gary suggested putting a sewer man hole near the Union House to “catch” the rubber gloves and stockings before they enter the sewer system.
  - C. Gary said Simons Operation Systems has not yet submitted an updated proposal for maintenance of the sewer system. He’s not sure if they will come down enough in price to meet the town’s needs. Gary suggested having Mark Sanville from Leach Engineering check on the system a couple of times a month. The board agreed to this.
  - D. Gary hopes to have the supplier of the individual pumps here next week to perform a demonstration for interested contractors. Gary will contact at least three local contractors and invite them to the demonstration and then they can decide if they want to bid on it. There will be two pumps to install at this time. Three pumps are scheduled to arrive Friday, September 18, 2009.
  - E. Gary showed the board the final set of plans showing where all the pipes and electrical work are located. Donna will keep this in the vault.
  - F. Jason signed the change order in the amount of \$4,624 for the culvert replacement and rip rap near Larose Lane. Harvey said the thought Twin State did a good job on it. The board agreed.
  - G. Jason signed a reimbursement request for \$79,516 for the USDA grant.
  - H. Gary talked to the board about extending the sewer line down Parker Road with the money left over from the grant. Tara asked how much would be left, and Gary estimated about \$190,000. This will be used to hook up about seven camps on Lake Parker. This will go out to bid in the spring. Gary said the town will need easements from these camps. Tara asked if the town needed easements from Bob Bean and Jeff Currier. Gary will need to look into this.
  - I. Tara signed an invoice for Leach Engineering.
5. Harvey discussed road issues with the board.
- A. Harvey said Nick Ecker-Racz asked if the town had any used culverts for where he is logging. Harvey did not have any, so Nick put logs and gravel down so he could drive over the ditch. Harvey wanted the board aware of this in case of heavy rain. Harvey and the board are assuming Nick will put the ditch back to how it was when he is done logging.
  - B. The board approved Harvey’s request for a new radio in his truck. The old one is over 20 years old and in poor condition.

- C. The road crew would like to do gravel crushing in October. Harvey talked to McCullough about this. They charge \$3.75 per yard, which includes the excavator. J.A. McDonald charges \$4.25 per yard. The board approved McCullough. This will be about a \$2,000 cost savings over last year.
  - D. Harvey and the board discussed cutting whips. The road crew will put this on their schedule. If they don't have the time, there are people interested in being hired to do this.
  - E. The board approved Andy Brosseau's request to be paid for 40 hours of unused vacation time, as was done last year.
  - F. Harvey said the snow machine trail located near the gravel pit will need to be moved as it is now a hazard. Jason will look into this.
  - G. Harvey has lowered the culvert on Stone Shore Road.
  - H. Tara had two people ask about putting a cross walk on Route 16 near the Riverside Apartments. Harvey said the state was approached in the past about this, and told the town there couldn't be one there. Tara asked if this could be re-visited. Jason will talk to Dale Perron about this.
  - I. Tara said the select board and school board need to get together regarding the plowing of the school parking lots. The select board feels this should be part of the school budget, not the town road budget. The town is still willing to plow for the school, but it should be reflected in the school budget. Tara will talk to Mr. Burnash about this and Harvey will look at what the cost might be.
  - J. Bucky received a call about a culvert washing out on Mud Island Road. Harvey will look into this.
6. Jason signed an excess weight permit for Wagner's Sales and Service, Inc.
  7. The board approved paying Ben Trevits \$1,000 for beach maintenance this year. This was the agreed upon amount for the season. The board will address adding more duties to this position before next year.
  8. The board approved Michael Tenney's request to be the second constable. The board will ask Donna to notify him.
  9. The board approved Becky Williams' invoice.
  10. Jason will address the two letters regarding dog complaints.
  11. Orders were signed.

12. Minutes were approved.

13. Jason made a motion to adjourn at 9:50 p.m.

Approved date of next meeting: Thursday, October 1, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Nelson, Board Clerk

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Jason Choquette, Select Board Chair

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Tara Nelson, Selectperson

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Bucky Shelton, Selectman