Glover Selectboard Meeting

Minutes Thursday, September 25, 2014

Present: Jack Sumberg, Brian Carroll, Michael Ladd, Doug Safford and Cindy Epinette, Transcriber.

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 6:34pm.
- 2) Agenda Amendments: The Board added four topics for discussion to the agenda: Property Tax Abatement Issue, Sargent Lane Update, Lake Parker Sewer Project Update and Shadow Lake Dam update.
- 3) Public Comment: Doug Safford discussed several topics that he is concerned about: a) He expressed concern regarding the speed of vehicles, the loud mufflers and jake brakes being applied going through town. He suggested posting signs that indicate jake brakes are not allowed. Mike and Jack will contact the State Police and Orleans County Sheriff's Office about posting signs and patrolling the area more frequently; b) He requested the berms of sand that has accumulated on Bean Hill and onto Route 16 be removed. When it rains, the run-off creates a problem on his drive way; c) He is concerned about the necessity for the dumpster to be in the pull-off across from the Town Clerk's Office. The Board will look into having the dumpster relocated; d) He was interested in the status of the tree near the dumpster. The Board will have to speak with Nick Ecker-Racz to get an update.
- 4) Board Discussion:
 - a) State Police Community Meeting: Mike attended a meeting, sponsored by the State Police, that discussed a product used to counteract drug overdoses and the latest methamphetamine process of a "one pot lab". The police explained that this is a very dangerous process. They suggested fire fighters receive training to deal with this problem.
 - b) Vault Update: While applying for an electrical permit, it was discovered that we will be in violation of code to install the heater that was purchased. One option is to sell the heater. Jack will research this problem further and keep the Board updated.
 - c) Lake Parker Sewer Project Update: Glover did not receive the Northern Boarder Regional Commission grant. The grant may be available again next spring.
 - d) Property Tax Abatement Update: The Board scheduled an Abatement Hearing to be held on October 1, 2014 at 6pm at the Town Clerk's office. The Abatement Board (Selectboard, Listers, Treasurer and Justices of the Peace) will hear the request for abatement.
 - e) Sargent Lane Update: Mike spoke with JP Sicard about the Board's concerns on final details. JP Sicard will research the need for more material to shore up the bank. Chris Emmons, State of Vermont, will review the project and help prepare the reports needed to request reimbursement from FEMA.
 - f) Shadow Lake Dam Update: Jack will research what needs to be done to update the Shadow Lake Emergency Action Plan. The last one was completed in 1991.
 - g) Stone Shore Road: Chris Cano has requested permission to close the un-plowed section of the road for the winter to help control camp break-ins. The Board agreed to this request with the understanding that the road crew will have a key to access the road if necessary and the other camp/landowners are in agreement as well.

h) Resolution on Education Tax Rate Cap: The Board discussed this issue. No action taken.

4. Board Action:

- a) Minutes: Mike made a motion, seconded by Brian, to approve the minutes dated September 11, 2014 as presented. The motion carried.
- b) Road Policy: Mike made a motion, seconded by Brian, to amend the portion of the Road Policy, Section V Part A 2nd paragraph, as follows: "If a culvert is required for a private road or driveway to an existing dwelling or for new construction for the purpose of residency, the Town of Glover will supply one culvert limited to 18 inches diameter, and not to exceed 30 feet in length. Installation is at the owner's expense. A larger or longer culvert may be installed at the discretion of the applicant, and with the concurrence of the Road Foreman, with the applicant bearing any additional expense above that which would have been spent by the Town for the maximum standard culvert. The Town will maintain or replace the primary driveway culvert as necessary, but replacement or resetting of any other culvert previously granted or installed by the Town of Glover, will be the responsibility of the owner of the private road." The motion carried.
- c) The director's orders were signed. The Board discussed the amount budgeted for GREC. They will research further and discuss during the 2015 budget building process

5. Brian made a motion to adjourn at 8:51pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Epinette Transcriber

Michael Ladd

Brian Carroll