

**TOWN OF GLOVER**  
**Selectboard Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, October 24, 2024 – Glover Town Hall**

Present: Phil Young, Dave Simmons, Anne Eldridge, Mike Pray, Road Foreman, Theresa Perron, Town Administrator, Job Breitmeyer, Glover Volunteer Fire Dept Chief, Phil Brooks, Glover Volunteer Fire Dept Treasurer, Riley Brooks, Dan Clark, Nick Ecker-Racz, David & Brenda Burke, Brad Gibbie, James & Nella Coe, Tyler Scelza, Jethro Hayman, Ed Barber, Newport Daily Express, and Cindy Epinette, Transcriber.

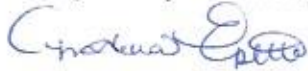
1. The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm.
2. **Additions or deletions to the agenda:** none.
3. **Minutes: Dave made motion, seconded by Anne, to approve the minutes dated October 10, 2024. The motion carried.**
4. **Road Update:**
  - a. The road crew have been grading, ditching, working on an Andersonville Homestead road culvert, and hauling gravel to various roads. Beavers are starting to create problems on Swamp road again.
  - b. **Rodgers Road:** After the last Selectboard meeting, new information was received that made the Selectboard re-evaluate working on Rodgers road at that time. They decided to postpone working on the road until the lawyers for the town and John S Rodgers could meet to discuss the situation further. **Phil made a motion, seconded by Anne, to hire Kristen Shamus as the attorney to represent the town. The motion carried.** (Sara Davies Coe and Nick Low had to recuse themselves due to a conflict of interest.).
  - c. **Shadow Lake Road:** Brad Gebbie inquired as to why Shadow Lake road is not ready to be paved. Why class 3 & 4 roads are being given priority over class 2 roads. The flood damage to Glover roads for the last two years has thrown the road repair schedule off track. The culverts needed on Shadow Lake road have been ordered but not available at this time. Dave and Mike will meet to discuss the road maintenance schedule. Also, the pavement on Shadow Lake road is starting to crumble in sections. It was suggested this be looked at before the situation becomes worse. Brad read a letter from Bob Fortin, who was unable to attend. Mr Fortin expressed concern about ditching on Shadow Lake road, the lake level and paving.
5. **Glover Park – Jethro:** Theresa has been working on a management plan for the Park per the easement requirements. Jethro mention the potential for the park: night games, the sensory trail, pump track, hosting events, pickleball court, etc. He suggested a Park Manager be hired to oversee the Park and a maintenance person be hired to maintain it. He provided a brief job description for each position. He requested a one-time budget donation of \$5,000 to install electricity, he suggested \$3,000 each year for a Park Manager and \$1,500 each year for maintenance and supplies. Nick encouraged the Board to work with the Planning Commission to form a 10-15 year plan for the Park.
6. **Glover Fire Department – Budget Proposal:** The proposed 2025 budget has not been completed at this time, but Phil indicated there shouldn't be a significant increase. He mentioned some capital projects: concrete apron in front of the building, one of the fire trucks

will need to be replaced, and cleaning the right side of the building for more parking. Can the remaining ARPA funds, that were allocated for repairing the front of the fire department building, be used to install the concrete apron? They are planning to use the Fire Department Reserve Fund to pay for a new tanker truck. Unfortunately, the new tanker they were expecting in July has been delayed in arriving. Turkey Bingo is scheduled for November 19<sup>th</sup>.

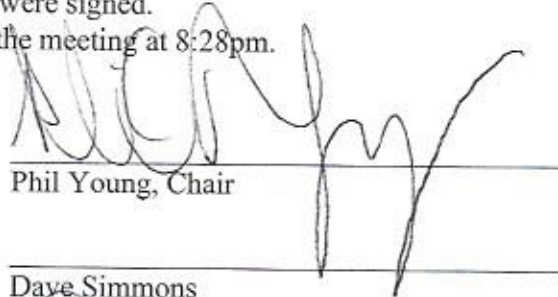
7. **Glover Green Update:** The first of two notices have been placed in the Chronicle, as required. If no one comes forward to claim an interest in the Glover Green by December 3, 2024, a petition will be presented to the court to declare the Green belongs to the Town of Glover. The Fire Department is using the building on the Glover Green for storage, therefore they are not interested in selling it to the Town. They indicated they would be receptive to storing their equipment in another location if something reasonable was presented. The eviction process has begun to remove the folks from the property on Rt16, known as the tire dump.
8. **Orleans County Sheriff's Report – September:** The Board reviewed the September report. No action taken.
9. **Town Administrator Update:**
  - a. **Rt 16 Paving:** Vtrans has notified the town that Rt 16, between Hardwick and Barton, will be paved. There are 4 sewer manholes that need to be elevated during the paving project. Each manhole will cost about \$1,500. This will be discussed further at the next board meeting.
  - b. **Cemetery Commission:** The black locust posts, that will be used for fence posts, need to be prepared for the winter. Anyone who would like to help stack the posts are welcome to join the Commissioners on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am at Westlook I.
  - c. **GREC:** The management plan required to comply with the easement has been completed and is available at the Town Administrator's office.
  - d. **Town Hall:** Acoustic panels will be prepare and placed at the town hall. Theresa will contact Northeast Computer to help get Zoom up and running at the town hall.
  - e. **Bean Hill Alarm system:** A part needs to be replaced. The part will cost about \$200.
  - f. **Shadow Lake Dam:** Dave, Theresa and Dwain met with a potential engineer to review the needs of the dam. The engineer will review the situation and provide 3 quotes in December regarding a solution to the dam situation. Theresa is meeting with FEMA on Monday to review the situation with the dam and to determine if the dam is eligible for FEMA assistance. Theresa has also been talking with Jen Andrews about possible fundraisers to help pay for repairs to the dam. A community forum will be scheduled in the future to keep the community informed.
10. **Treasurer's Report:**
  - a. **Quarterly Financials:** Cindy provided the Selectboard with the financials. No questions came up.
  - b. **Memphremagog Watershed Asso:** Patrick Hurley requested an updated letter of support from the board to submit with a grant application.
  - c. **Brook Field Agreement:** Brook Field presented a quote for annual maintenance. The board would like to research other options. Theresa has been charged with researching other vendors.
  - d. **North Country Hospital Support:** The Board would like to send a letter of support to keep North Country Hospital open and running as it has been.

11. **Open public comment period:**
12. **Signing of Director's Orders:** The orders were signed.
13. **Adjourn:** Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted



Cynthia Epinette  
Transcriber

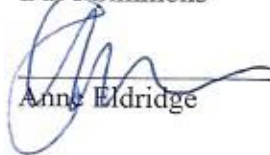


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Phil Young, Chair

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Dave Simmons



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Anne Eldridge