

TOWN OF GLOVER
Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 24, 2025 – Glover Town Hall

Present: Phil Young, Anne Eldridge, Theresa Perron, Town Administrator, Mike Pray, Road Foreman, Jethro Hayman, Dan Clark, James & Nella Coe, Tyler Scelza, Amos Turner, Ed Barber, Newport Daily Express, and Cindy Epinette, Transcriber.

Attending via Zoom: David Burke

Absent: Glenn Gage

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:33pm.
2. **Additions or deletions to the agenda:** A request for reimbursement for gravel.
3. **Minutes: Anne made motion, seconded by Phil, to approve the minutes dated April 10, 2025. The motion carried.**
4. **Road Update:**
 - a. The road crew have been grading, sanding, hauling gravel/stone and working on culverts. Truck #22 is still out of commission. Mike has received one quote to pave School St and Davio Pl. He is waiting for a response from another vendor.
 - b. **Road Policy Update/Enforcement:** No change or update at this time.
 - c. **Salt Shed Grant Approval:** Glenn was not able to attend this meeting but wrote an email expressing his concerns about signing the Commitment Letter. The Coes spoke to Scott Robertson, State of Vermont, the letter does not indicate any dollar amounts, it is meant to indicate the town is committed to paying a matching amount of 20% of the costs, not necessarily the whole amount indicated on the grant application. **Anne made a motion, seconded by Phil, to approve the Project Commitment Form. The motion carried.**
 - d. **Broken Windshield:** Repair Request: The Board received a letter from Chris Dandanell, requesting the town pay for a broken windshield as a result of a stone coming off a town truck. In the interest of goodwill, **Phil made a motion, seconded by Anne, to approve reimbursing Mr Dandanell a maximum of \$250 for the replacement of his windshield. The motion carried.**
 - e. **Gravel Reimbursement Request:** Taylor Altman purchased a load of gravel from Calkins to fix her driveway, including a section of the town road. Mike had put gravel on the road and driveway last week and deemed it passable until further work could be scheduled. There was a hole in the driveway but you could travel on either side of the hole to get up the driveway. He indicated the frost is still coming out of the road and driveway but he felt it was a driveway problem not a town road problem. The Selectboard would like to do some further research before making a decision. Anne will speak with Ms Altman.
 - f. **Mud Island Road Culvert:** David Burke inquired about when the culvert/bump on Mud Island road would be fixed. Mike indicated he is prioritizing work that needs to be done and will get to it when possible.
5. **Glover Park – Jethro Hayman:** Jethro stated Glover Park is open for the summer. He will use the remaining balance of the VOREC grant to expand the trails, boardwalks, etc. A local landowner has given permission to extend the trails onto his property. Glover Park has received two more grants that will pay for interns, community garden work, etc. Ann Creaven and Sara Gluckman have been busy preparing for the pickleball court. Within the next two weeks they anticipate the concrete being poured, then the area will be surfaced and painted. He has research installing electricity at the ballfield so night games can be played. The lights and poles have been donated. VT Electric (VEC) has indicated it could cost \$20,000 to install the electricity, installing a solar generator could cost about \$12,000 or more. Jethro has researched

several different power options but are not cost effective. Amos Turner has volunteered to speak with the engineer and VEC, to donate his time to build a towerline extension and receive an estimate to put the grid power in, in an effort to keep costs down. **Anne made a motion, seconded by Phil to authorize Amos to speak with the engineers and approve issuing a \$250 refundable deposit to VEC to see if this is a viable option. The motion carried.**

6. Orleans County Sheriff's Office:

- a. **2025 Contract:** Anne spoke with Sheriff Harlow. A contract was issued for \$10,000 plus \$65/hr for any services provided above the \$10,000. **Phil made a motion, seconded by Anne, to approve the 2025 Contract for \$10,000. The motion carried.**
- b. **March Report:** The Board reviewed the March report. No action needed.

7. Planning Commission – Town Green Property Sale Proposal: The Coes have had a conversation with the Fire Department. They are interested in sub-dividing the lot at the Glover Green. Half the property could be sold to the town and the other half could be sold to Ray Sweeney for parking for his apartment. The fire department would retain a right of way to access the river as needed. Funding could come from the ARPA funds designated to the "Heart of Glover" project. The Board approved the Coe's continuing to research this proposal, a survey is in progress.

8. Town Administrator's Report:

- a. **Fuel Rates:** Theresa has locked into a diesel price of \$2.8893/gallon for one year, \$1.6763/gallon for propane for three years and \$3.26/gallon for fuel oil for one year with Dead River. The other fuel companies could not meet those prices.
- b. **Shadow Lake Dam:** The engineers, Weston & Sampson, would like to meet with the Selectboard to review their findings and the options available.
- c. **Municipal Building:** Theresa has received a quote from Riley Tetreault to pressure wash the municipal building for \$952.50, which includes the rental of the lift. She was directed to find out if he could pressure wash the town hall at the same time.

9. Treasurer's Report:

- a. **Fire Truck Loan Signing:** The loan documents for a 4 year loan at 4.81% were signed. Glenn was not able to attend but expressed his concern about approving this loan.

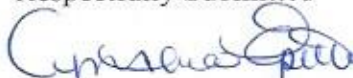
10. Open public comment period:

- a. **Special Town Meeting:** The Board has scheduled a special town meeting to discuss expenses to operate the town on Saturday, June 14, 2025 at 10am in the town hall.
- b. **Unpleasant Neighbors:** A citizen expressed frustration with a neighbor who revs his car and makes it backfire in the late hours of the evening and early morning hours, while folks are trying to sleep. The citizen also indicated these neighbors have been burning garbage and have an unpleasant dog as well. The citizen was advised to call the police.

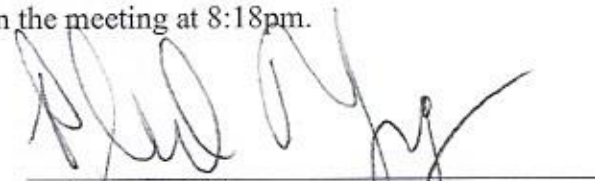
11. Signing of Director's Orders: The orders were signed.

12. Adjourn: Glenn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:18pm.

Respectfully Submitted



Cynthia Epinette
Transcriber



Phil Young, Chair



Anne Eldridge



Glenn Gage

5/8/25