

TOWN OF GLOVER
Selectboard Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 25, 2024 – Glover Town Hall

Present: Phil Young, Dave Simmons, Mike Pray, Road Foreman, Theresa Perron, Town Administrator, Dan Clark, Phil Brooks, Leanne Harple, Dennis Gibson, Randy Williams, Jack Sumberg, Brenda Plastridge, James & Nella Coe, Cindy Charlier, Gay Crain, Chris Roy, Newport Dailey Express, and Cindy Epinette, Transcriber. Absent: Anne Eldridge.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.
2. **Additions or deletions to the agenda:** Emergency Management update and Accoustic panels information..
3. **Minutes: Dave made motion, seconded by Phil, to approve the minutes dated June 27, 2024 and July 11, 2024. The motion carried.**
4. **Road Update:**
 - a. **Removal of Debris on bridges after a flood:** Nick had expressed concern about the accumulation of debris at the Still Hill bridge. He indicated the road crew are very busy cleaning up the roads and volunteered to clean up the debris himself. It was not understood that Vermont Agency of Natural Resources had requested no debris be removed until they were able to inspect the area. Phil apologized for this misunderstanding. Also, there is an accumulation of debris at the Lake Parker dam. ANR has advised this debris not be removed at this time. Theresa will investigate and contact ANR for further advise.
 - b. **Dennis Gibson:** Dennis thanked the road crew for the work they did at his camp and removing culverts that were not needed. Unfortunately, as a result of the July 10, 2024 flooding, a chasm has been created. He is seeking help from the town to get this resolved. Dennis was advised to contact 211 to report the damage done. The more phone calls made to 211 to report flooding damage, the more likely the area will be considered for FEMA support.
 - c. **Road work:** King and Dexter Mtn roads were the two roads hit the hardest as a result of the July 10, 2024 flooding. All roads are passable. The road crew are planning to work on the culverts on Borland road in August. This means the road must be closed for at least a day.
5. **Planning Commission:**
 - a. **Appointment of new board member: Phil made a motion, seconded by Dave to appoint Doug Safford to the Planning Commission. The motion carried.**
 - b. **Glover Green Plans:** Randy requested permission to move forward with plans for the Glover Green while the lawyers and the court review/discuss the Glover Green ownership issue. The Board agreed that plans can continue as long as no action is taken. Creating a Request for Proposals (RFP's) is acceptable but actually breaking ground is not. James & Nella Coe have requested a copy of the purchasing policy in order for them to comply with the policy.
6. **Town Administrator Update:**
 - a. **Town Hall acoustics:** Jack has done some research regarding acoustic panels for the ceiling in the town hall. Jack is requesting permission to continue researching and obtaining proposals to build the panels. Phil made a motion, seconded by Dave, giving permission to pursue this project further. The motion carried.

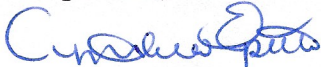
- b. **RIVERS Meeting:** A meeting has been scheduled for August 14, 2024 at 6pm at the town hall. The RIVERS meeting is designed to get public input regarding projects that could be funded through a grant. The town can apply for the grant on behalf of residents. Residents are not permitted to apply for the grant themselves. Everyone is encouraged to attend this meeting.
- c. **Chairs/Racks for Town Hall:** Theresa is researching purchasing additional chairs, another chair rack and a rack for the tables at the town hall. The Board gave Theresa permission to purchase more chairs, and a rack for tables and chairs.
- d. **Shadow Lake Dam:** There is a concern that children could wonder too close to the dam through the water. Theresa has ordered “no swimming” signs, buoys and rope to designate the area that is off limits to the public until repairs can be completed.
- e. **Pressure Washer:** Mike, Dwain and Theresa will revisit using the pressure washer at the town garage to clean the outside of the municipal building.
- f. **Pump Stations:** Theresa contacted Taplin’s to pump out the pump stations on a regular basis. Theresa suggested providing Taplin’s with a set of keys instead of waiting for someone to supply a key to Taplin’s, in case of emergencies. This suggestion was approved and the Board also requested all the pump stations have the same lock so only one key is needed. Phil Brooks indicated the fire trucks are available if needed as well.
- g. **Emergency Management Update:** Phil Brooks indicated all went well during the July 10, 2024 flood situation. The emergency plan is still a work in progress. Tuesday, July 9th, Phil Brooks, Mike Pray, Scott Pray and Theresa met to plan for the worst. Phil and Mike were in constant contact to troubleshoot potential problem areas. The State has indicated the town is responsible for trash removal as a result of the flooding. There is no indication that FEMA will pay for the garbage removal at this time. This subject will be discussed again at a future meeting. A call list has been created. Theresa indicated NEKO is in need of volunteers to help community members again.

7. Treasurer’s Report:

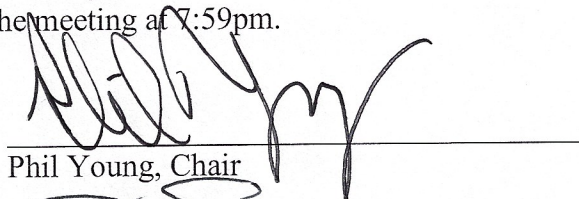
- a. **2024 Property Tax Rate Approval:** We received the education tax rates. Cindy and the Listers have calculated the 2024 tax rates at \$2.0944 for residents and \$2.2633 for non-residents. In 2023 the resident rate was \$1.8945 and the non-resident rate was \$2.0831. **Phil made a motion, seconded by Dave, to approve the rates as stated. The motion carried.**
- b. **Lake Parker Water Testing:** The water at Shadow Lake beach is tested three times a year, as required for a public beach. Residents have expressed a concern about the water quality at Lake Parker as well. **Phil made a motion, seconded by Dave, to have Shadow Lake beach, Lake Parker, Daniels Pond and Clark Pond water tested on a regular basis, the summer months of June, July, August and September. The motion carried.** The test results will be posted on the website. Sara Gluckman collects the water sample for Shadow Lake, Brenda will ask Bob Richards if he will collect the water sample for Lake Parker, Phil will contact possible volunteers for Daniels Pond and Clark Pond.
- c. **Quarterly Financial Update:** Cindy will email the financials to Dave again. There is \$7,944.92 in ARPA funds not obligated. All ARPA funds need to be obligated by December 31, 2024 and must be spent by December 31, 2026. **Phil made a motion, seconded by Dave, to commit the remaining balance of \$7,944.92 to repairs to the town hall. The motion carried.** Between the acoustic panels and repairs to the outside of the building, it is expected all the ARPA funds designated for the town hall will be used.

- d. **Teak's Lock Service:** Tim Hooker provided a quote to install a key pad to replace the key system at the town hall. Each person who needs access to the town hall would have their own code to enter the building. The Board is not in favor of using a code to enter the building.
 - e. **Errors & Omission Certificate:** The Listers requested the Board sign the Error & Omissions Certificate, identifying an error that was made on the assessed value of one piece of property. The certificate was reviewed and signed.
 - f. **Signing for Town Hall keys** – this discussion was postponed until Anne could be present.
 - g. **VLCT – Quarterly Claim Cost Detail:** The quarterly report ending 6/30/24 was reviewed. No action needed.
 - h. **Fire Department Mailbox:** The Fire Department has suggested relocating their mailbox to join the municipal building mailbox – on one post. The Selectboard has no objection to this arrangement.
 - i. **Grants In Aid Agreement:** The Board signed the GIA grant for \$12,000.
 - j. **Vicious Dog Report:** There is an incident where a dog has attacked a child. The child was not injured in the attack due to her quick reaction. The dog is not licensed in Glover. Cindy will contact the Orleans County Sheriff's office to determine the next course of action. Discussions regarding the Dog Ordinance was postponed until Anne can be present.
8. **Open public comment period:**
- a. **Glover Day:** Randy reminded everyone that this Saturday is Glover Day. The tables and chairs from the town hall will be transported to the Glover Green.
 - b. At the next meeting, Dan brought to the Board's attention, the Road Commissioner must be a person, not the board/committee.
9. **Signing of Director's Orders:** The orders were signed.
10. **Adjourn:** Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 pm.

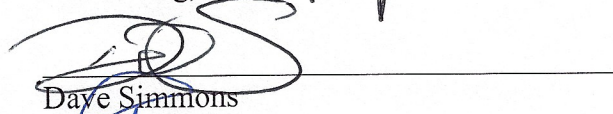
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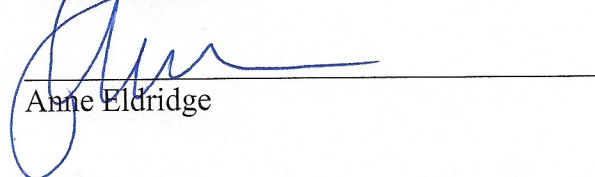
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