

**TOWN OF GLOVER**  
**Selectboard Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, August 11, 2022**

Board Members Present: Dave Simmons, Leanne Harple, Phil Young, Brian Carroll, Town Administrator, Mike Pray, Road Foreman, and Cindy Epinette, Transcriber.  
Guests: Randy Williams, Peggy Day Gibson, Ted Young.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm.
2. **Changes to the Agenda:** The Board added a review of a letter of support for Memphremagog Watershed and an Equity Committee Update.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** **Leanne made a motion, seconded by Phil to approve the minutes dated July 14, 2022. The motion carried. Dave made a motion, seconded by Phil, to approve the minutes dated July 28, 2022. The motion carried.**
4. **Road Update:**
  - a. The Road crew has been ditching on Andersonville road and hauling gravel.
  - b. Mowing: Russell Guyer has mowed about two thirds of the roads. Mike would like him to mow the class 3 roads as well, but it means going over budget by about \$1,500. **Dave made a motion, seconded by Leanne, to approve mowing the 3<sup>rd</sup> class roads for safety. The motion carried.**
  - c. Greensboro Gravel Pit: Greensboro has expressed interest in selling land to Glover. The Selectboard will research and make a proposal to Greensboro.
  - d. Shadow Lake road – the road will be closed from August 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>. JBL Hauling only needs two days to complete the culvert project but scheduling is not definite on which two days.
  - e. Glover Gravel Pit: People have been entering the gravel pit and camping or operating machinery without authorization. This is a high liability concern. A gate was installed to prevent these activities.
  - f. Class 4 Road Upgrades: There has been interest in upgrading class 4 roads to class 3 roads. According to policy, the landowner must upgrade the class 4 road to class 3 standards and then the Selectboard may act to reclassify the road accordingly.
5. **Equity Update:** Leanne shared that the Equity Committee has been awarded a \$10,000 grant from VT Community Foundation.
6. **NEK Broadband/ARPA Update:**
  - a. **ARPA Committee Recruitment:** Three people have volunteered to sit on the ARPA Committee, Jethro Hayman, Liz Nelson and Heidi Cooperstein. Brian has volunteered to be the facilitator. **Dave made a motion, seconded by Phil, to appoint Jethro Hayman, Liz Nelson and Heidi Cooperstein as the ARPA Committee for one year. The motion carried.**
  - b. **NEK Broadband:** NEK Broadband has submitted a proposal to bring broadband to Glover. Option I will provide service to 30 addresses and will cost \$41,267. Option II will provide service to 77 addresses and will cost \$92,167. The deadline to apply is September 25, 2022. Brian will research further and keep the public updated through Front Porch Forum and the website. Copies of these proposals are available in the Town Clerk's Office.
7. **Health Officer Appointment:** The town received Nick Ecker-Racz' letter of resignation as the Health Officer. Cindy will place an ad in the Chronicle and Brian will post the vacancy on

Front Porch Forum. Phil has volunteered to be the Health Officer in the interim. **Dave made a motion, seconded by Leanne, to appoint Phil Young as the interim health officer. The motion carried.**

8. **Town Hall Renovations:** Phil will research funding renovations through the Freeman Foundation. There may be funding available through the Preservation Fund. Randy will share the contact information with Phil. A suggestion was made to contact the Energy Committee regarding research for heat pumps to help cool the town hall during hot weather.
9. **Open Public Comment:**
  - a. Ted Young spoke about increasing the wages for the Listers. Funding for the listers comes from State funds allocated to each town, not the town's budget. He proposed an increase to \$20/hr. The Board agreed that all wages need to be reviewed.
  - b. Trails Committee:
    - i. Peggy submitted a bill from NEK Info for web services. She mentioned a bill from Northwoods Stewardship for trail maintenance training will be sent to the Town Clerk's office. Both these expenses will be paid from the Trails Committee fund request from GREC funds.
    - ii. Peggy also indicated Richard Carbonetti will open the Black Hill for hiking between the months of January – August 2023, but will remain closed during hunting season, September – December 2023.
    - iii. A landowner agreement has been created, based on a form created by Cabot Trails.
    - iv. There is a recreational grant available through the State. Peggy will research further.
  - c. Planning Committee: Randy indicated there will be a contest to create a sign to guide people to points of interest in Glover. Also, an idea was presented to have a gazebo and pavilion on the town green.
10. **The Directors Orders were signed.**
11. **Adjourn: Dave made a motion, seconded by Leanne, to adjourn the meeting at 8pm.**

Respectfully Submitted

Cynthia Epinette  
Transcriber

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Dave Simmons, Chair

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Leanne Harple

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Phil Young