

Glover Selectboard Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 27, 2016

Present: Brian Carroll, Jack Sumberg, Nick Ecker-Racz, Norman, Ben and Maya Auger, David Kelley, Attorney for the Augers, and Cindy Epinette, Transcriber. Absent: Michael Ladd.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.
2. Amendment to the agenda: none.
3. Minutes: **Jack made a motion, seconded by Brian, to approve the minutes dated October 13, 2016 as presented. The motion carried.**
4. Appearances by Local Citizens and Visitors: none.
5. Announcements for Review: none.
6. Reports:
 - a. NEKWMD 2017 Draft Budget: A meeting is scheduled on December 13, 2016 at 7pm in Lyndonville to receive input regarding the next budget. Jack will attend this meeting.
7. Old Business:
 - a. Town Garage: Jack met with the state regarding paving the states right of way to access the town garage. We would need a permit to pave the road and the state wants the entrances limited to 40 foot. The problem that is presented is when the plows turn to go on the paved portion of the road, there isn't enough space to make the wide sweep necessary. The position of the garage and plans would need to be altered. Jack will meet with Harvey to discuss further.
 - b. Road Classification for TH35, Telfer Road: Jack made the motion as follows: Whereas the entire 0.60 miles of TH35, Telfer Rd, has not been maintained by the Town of Glover for many years; and whereas portions of the road as it presently exists are outside of the original town right of way; and whereas one of more portions of the original right of way cross areas that are now considered by the State of Vermont to be wetlands or wetland buffers; and whereas the town has been advised by a VT Agency of Natural Resources wetlands ecologist that a wetlands permit would be necessary in order to rebuild the road in the original right of way and that such a permit would not be issued unless compelling reasons can be brought forward for such a project; and whereas this selectboard does not believe that a compelling argument can be made for rebuilding and maintaining TH35 as a town road; and whereas considerable expense would be incurred by the town in order to have the original right of way surveyed and have the wetlands and buffers delineated and a permit application prepared by a qualified surveyor and wetlands consultant with little chance of obtaining that permit; and whereas the actual cost to the town of rebuilding and maintain the road in the original right of way, if permitted by the state, would be out of all proportion to the benefits derived from such a road project by the residents of Glover, and whereas, until

public notice was given in May, 2016, of the selectboard's intention of discontinuing TH35, over many years no concern had been expressed by abutting landowners regarding the lack of maintenance and unusable condition of the road; and whereas the public good, necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Glover do not require that TH35 be rebuilt and maintained as a town road; therefore the entire 0.60 miles of TH35 will be discontinued. The motion was seconded by Brian. David Kelley requested postponing a decision until Norm and he have had time to discuss possible solutions with the Medors. Jack made a motion, seconded by Brian, to postpone making a decision as requested. The motion carried.

8. New Business: none.

9. Board Action:

a. The Board reviewed and signed the directors orders.

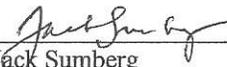
10. Adjourn: Jack made a motion, seconded by Brian, to adjourn at 7:35pm .

Respectfully Submitted,

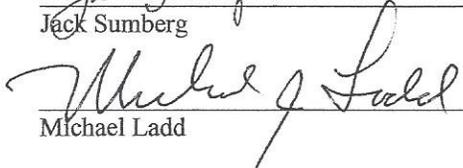
Cynthia Epinette
Transcriber



Brian Carroll, Chair



Jack Sumberg



Michael Ladd