

Underhill Infrastructure Committee

Meeting No. 39 – Outdoor meeting at Moore Park

9/21/20

Members present: Kurt Johnson, Mike Weisel, Andy Rowe, Nate Sullivan, Clarke Elliott

Construction zone dust

- There have been some complaints about dust on the Poker Hill Road reconstruction area
- Irish Settlement is not bad, no worse than the rest of the road
- Nate indicated that after he finishes the Irish ditch work, he will move to Poker and can address the dust
- Note: there is a culvert on Poker that has sustained damage (we believe from the Dirt Tech activity during construction) and Nate can fix it when he is there, but we feel Dirt Tech should either fix it or pay the town for their time and material. A contact call to DT has been made, but may need a follow-up call or text.

Corbett Road bridge

- The new bridge is complete except for guardrails and the temp. bridge is coming out

Poker Hill/N U Station culverts

- We are still waiting for cost estimates to line the bottom of the culverts with steel plate
 - Tyler will follow up
 - Apparently the costs will be just for material and not the installation – we will need to look into finding someone who can weld the plates in place
- This is a project we envision happening after July 1 next year
- We think there may be a large culvert at the foot of Skunk Hollow Road in Jericho that was relined last year by the State using some sort of plastic liner. Andy will call Randy Snelling to see what he can find out about that

River Road

- Oct. 6 – VHB and the RPC will present to the Selectboard via a virtual meeting
- VHB will be getting a revised report out to us soon

Paving projects

- Pleasant Valley Road
 - Tyler will be getting to us a proposal to study Segment 3 in terms of what is the right solution for this piece of bad road
 - We hope if we accept his proposal, the study can be done this fall
 - Kurt will review the proposal with the S-board
 - It is looking likely that we will not get a grant this year for paving the north end of PVR
 - We question the mechanics of reclaiming a section of road which has 17” of existing blacktop – it will likely require two passes, so do we need to remove the results of pass one before proceeding with pass two?
 - Andy will call one of the local paving companies to ask the question

- North Underhill Station Road
 - Paving planned for next year
 - Do we pave the area dug up for culvert replacement this fall to get through winter or leave it gravel?
 - Consensus is leave it gravel
 - Maybe top it with reclaimed asphalt or good quality plant mix rather than “gravel”
- Park Street
 - The drainage repairs outlined in Tyler’s report need doing before paving
 - For the time being, we will use Tyler’s cost estimates for the repair work planning, even though there may be some potential savings as we delve deeper into the details of the repairs (Jericho may have already accomplished a small bit of the work)
- Town Hall lot
 - We will use Tyler’s estimate for planning purposes and assume the job will be done by an outside contractor
 - If Nate can fit it into his schedule, we will likely realize a savings in cost

CIP

- Kurt reported a big glitch in the funding of our Capital Plan
 - The \$750,000, 20 year loan which was approved last year by the voters cannot proceed as envisioned because now we are being told by the Town attorney that the correct process was not followed in approving it
 - It was discussed and voted at Town Meeting only
 - Apparently, a loan of this duration requires several public meetings prior to a vote
 - The Town has taken out a short term (5 year) \$300,000 loan to get us through the expenditures we’ve already incurred (Irish, Poker, Corbett)
 - Kurt believes the Town will have to reset and go through the whole procedure of approval in the correct fashion, but there will be a meeting(s) of the greater powers to determine exactly how to proceed

Next meeting – October 21 in the Catholic Church (Andy will arrange for access)

Meeting adjourned at 6:00