

Underhill Roads Committee

Meeting No. 20

1/14/19

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

Meeting convened at 5 pm at Town Hall

CIP funding outlook

- Kurt presented the latest version of the CIP spreadsheet with a few updates and revisions
 - The bridge projects now include engineering costs
 - Other minor adjustments
- This program is heading toward a 20 year loan concept through a commercial bank
- Kurt will be seeking quotes from several banks in the coming days, but the interest rate is expected to be a little less than 4%
- A second spreadsheet was discussed which lays out the capital expenditures for the next 10 years on a year to year basis

Class 4 roads

- The SB has not prepared an article for Town Meeting concerning expenditures for class 4 roads, but may yet do so
- A survey at Town Meeting was discussed to gage the residents' appetite for such an expenditure
- The need for a fair method of allotting funds to each road was discussed
 - Worst road first?
 - Road with the highest tax revenue first?
 - Road with the most residents first?
- Rick will send out to each of us the tally of class 4 road statistics

Bridge 8 repair

- The additional backwall and wingwall work identified in recent weeks will likely add cost to our project
- The backwall work is integral with the deck work, but the wingwalls are separate and could be removed from the scope of work
- We recommended itemizing the work so various tasks can be identified and potentially removed if budget constraints demand
- Kurt and Mike will meet with Brian in the next week or so to finalize the RFP

Irish Settlement culvert update

- The culvert is essentially complete
- It has been noted that water may be "piping" beneath the culvert because the upstream headwall was deleted
- An inspection must be made in the spring to see if the problem has resolved
- If not, a level spreader or a headwall will be needed on the culvert inlet
- We wanted to know how much money was saved by deleting the headwall, but no one had this figure immediately available

Corbett Road culvert

- Cricket (Fellows Engineering) has been working on the project and plans should be ready by spring
- Brad Holden has done some survey work in support of the design
- Preliminary indications are that Meg Armstrong may be willing and able to inspect the project during construction

Gravel road reconstruction

- This work represents about \$500,000 worth of work via a 20 year loan
- If this is presented as a ballot item at Town Meeting, there may be a need for some advance education such as articles in FPF or the Mountain Gazette
- We agreed to come up with such a description at our next meeting

Local gravel

- Two potential sources have been identified – Beartown Road pit on Town land and a hill near the sand stockpile at the Town garage
- Kurt is going to have Mike's Coring and Drilling come punch some holes in both spots this spring
- It was suggested we might want to supplement this with a few selective test pits using the Town excavator

Next meeting: 5 pm, February 5

- Agenda to be determined

Meeting adjourned at 6:30