

## Highway Infrastructure and Equipment Committee 12-17-18 Meeting Minutes

**Attendees : Nate Sullivan, Clark Elliot, Kurt Johnson, Rick Heh**

**5:00 Meeting opened with no adjustments**

**5:01 Class 4 roads :**

- Discussion of simplifying criteria by basing it on taxes by road, per mile or the like was discussed. Advantages to this methodology are the data is kept current on annual basis and is already managed by the Town Assessing Clerk, Amanda Bosley. It also avoids the use of criteria that could be deemed as potentially having bias. Further discussion to continue in future meetings.

**5:05 Bridge 8**

- Bid package tune up discussed with goal to release project for bids Feb/March to enable construction to start in the Spring 2019

**5:10 2019 Paving repair expense plan (Line 316 = \$120K)**

- Pike estimate received in December for \$82/T. With recent fuel price downturn \$70/T was deemed more reasonable for budgetary purposes. Roads considered for paving repair are:
  - River Road finish (301T=\$21070)
  - Sugar Hill & Meadow Lane (1181T=\$82600)
  - Crack Seal : \$12K from 2019 and \$10K for 2020FY
  - Cold Patch : \$3K

**5:20 2019 Paving capital plan (line 329 = \$20K & Line 258 = \$12K)**

- Paving capital for roads and parking lots requiring reclaim are:
  - Krug road (73T = \$5110 + Reclaim = \$3424 Total = \$8534)
  - Green St (104T = \$7280 + Reclaim = \$4888 Total = \$12168 )
  - Town Hall (102T = \$7140 + Reclaim = \$4800 Total = \$11940) (general fund line item)

**5:30 2019 Gravel road reconstruction (\$500K loan for 20 years or ~\$40K/yr)**

- Discussed use of a 20 year bank loan for this work which would require voter approval. Discussed Union and Mascoma banks will underwrite a 20 year loan , but both would renegotiate the interest rate at year 10. Kurt to pursue bids with help from Town Treasurer. Also discussed construction timing and having road crew handle some sections. Note timing was set over two years to manage timing of annual expends. Subsequent to this meeting Nate and Kurt discussed adding \$50K to the Road structures capital line to go along with current year inventory. This would enable some work to occur in 2019 if article wasn't approved.
- Poker Hill (196-250 & 562-570) Propose Summer 2019 construction (Est \$214K)
- Irish Set. (225-250, 569-586, 603-633) Propose Spring 2020 const.(Est \$78K,\$83K,\$111K=\$272K)

- Discussed potential customers (possible revenue) and uses for materials removed. It was considered unlikely the material removed from the bad road segments would have any monetary sale value. Further discussion ensued on whether material might have value for nearby Class 4 roads that currently receive no funding for maintenance. Given these roads see much less traffic this material “could” be suitable for use on them. More discussion needed on this.

**5:40 Corbett Bridge Design (\$250K loan for 20 years or ~\$20K/yr)**

- Similar discussion to gravel roads loan process. Survey completed and Design is in progress with construction proposed for Spring 2020. Timing chosen to manage 2019 expends. Also discussed having Meg Armstrong handle construction oversight. Cricket is okay with this.

**5:50 Beartown Gravel Pit**

- Discussed having Mike’s Coring(Est \$2500 for day 1 with \$1600 for each added day) evaluate town property between existing gravel pit and neighboring Alexander lot. Likely to be scheduled in the Spring although possible in January if limited snow cover. In addition considered possible site near town garage where trees recently removed.

**5:55 Next meeting is 5pm Jan 14. Agenda to be sent week prior.**

**6:00 Meeting adjourned**