

TOWN OF ORFORD

Road Committee

Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Smith, Herb Austic

OTHERS PRESENT: Chase Kling, Selectboard Representative

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

A discussion on the grader cover as something the committee was asked to explore, along with a salt shed. Herb presented options for both. Pricing and specs were explored for two size Btitespan building which could be used for salt sand storage. Prices were given for structures only along with foundation and material prices to complete assuming the town would supply the labor. Also, a labor estimate from a contractor for labor only to complete.

An estimate was also included for the existing salt shed to be repaired and added on to that will allow for the grader cover and a second bay 16'x40' to be used for additional covered storage.

Since the money was appropriated for the grader cover and not the salt barn Chase said he would take the estimate to the selectmen. The salt shed needs repair NOW and the committee will access and report back to the Selectboard with options.

Archertown road project was discussed and the timeline. New core borings were to be done 6/16. Charlie asked Chase if he could be included in the boring report from Erin with the selectmen? Charlie asked Chase for help finding a specific area of road the use the wicking fabric that he had procured for the town, at no expense to the town? Chase felt that there was little time for the town to explore that as with all the current projects and being shorthanded. Charlie responded was it possible to meet with the Selectboard meeting with Erin and possibly use the fabric on the Archertown hill or flat areas, if the conditions were right for its application? Chase said he would bring that to the Selectmen.

Committee asked if the town had, or was planning to advertise for the vacant road agent/foreman position as of this time? Chase replied they were looking internally first before they advertised.

Archertown road timeline was discussed. Chase said they hoped to have the boring done and the report back by mid-July. Engineering and estimate should be back shortly thereafter. At that point it would go to the townspeople with contractor pricing by mid-August. Hope would be to start the project in early Sept.

Committee was asked to look at the two bridge projects Highbridge and Mousley brook. We thought it best to go look at those bridges at our next meeting to see if we could be helpful. Next meeting date is 7/6 at 10:00

Adjourn

Motion made by Smith, seconded by Austic to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:52 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Herb Austic