

TOWN OF ORFORD

Road Committee

Meeting Minutes

July 6-, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Smith, Herb Austic

OTHERS PRESENT: Chase Kling, Selectboard Representative

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m.

A discussion of Mousley brook bridge options from Chase include a precast or a woodlam option. Charlie asked for the length of the span, and width to calculate the requirement After the regular meeting the committee would go to the site to make their recommendations.

Chase asked the committee to take a look at Indian Pond road culvert at the pond and give our thoughts on new culverts or bridge. The discussion included the beaver issues there, and ways to plan for the future. Charlie stated he had past experience with this before in his profession. Chase said the beavers had, or were being trapped from the area by NH fish and wildlife.

Chase shared a proposal from NH DOT for the bridge on Highbridge road. The proposal was to rebuild the bridge. Estimated total cost of 1,442,400.00 with the towns shared part of 288,480.00 Charlie asked why the town would spend that kind of money on a class 5 seasonal road? Other options for the bridge were discussed and possible renovations to both Highbridge rd. and Tillotson Falls rd. Road Committee was tasked to take a look at the site after the meeting, and to later discuss their findings.

Charlie asked Chase about the upcoming meeting with Erin Darrow and contractor on Archertown rd. That meeting is sch. for 7/10 at 11:00 Charlie asked if there was an interest shown from contractors for the job? Chase said that he had nothing specific to report as of yet. Charlie plan to attend the meeting.

Adjourn

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:53 am

Committee left to take a field trip to Mousley brook and Highbridge site per request by the selectmen.

Respectfully Submitted

Herb Austic

The next scheduled meeting will be on 08/10/2023 at 6:00 pm