

*Approved*  
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14 September 2023

Members Present: Charlie Smith and Mike Wright  
Selectboard liaison: Chase Kling  
Called to order 6:15

10 August minutes delayed for approval

Charlie asked Chase if the selectboard had reviewed and had comments on the committees by law request? Chase said he received the committee's agenda 2 days prior and will address the board. This has still not been addressed to satisfaction of the committee since January of 2023 to come up with clear written guidance of what the select board is expecting from the committee and how the committee is going to be the most advantageous to the town for highway maintenance and buildings. Last communication was before town meeting and committee was informed by the select board, they would address it after the town meeting in March.

Committee members discussed the salt shed renovations. Chase said Esther will be working with Lenny Gray on progress of estimate and start work along guidance with Herb.

Charlie asked Chase if there are any possible locations had been specified for the wicking fabric that he had procured for the town? Chase replied that the town did hire Ted Nutter and possibly another, along with Roger, but with the road crews current projects and preparing for winter, it is doubtful. Charlie still suggests the wicking fabric could be used on the flat/crest of hill of Archertown road or Indian Pond road by the pond and culvert issues. Possibly a road where the town is going to raise the road 8-10 inches. Roll out the fabric, place material on top.

Sand pit gradation of material obtained from external gravel pits. Charlie did not get to obtaining a sample for fine contents. Even though looking at different gravel pits would be more of a cost, in the long run it could be a savings to the town for maintenance (washouts/rutting) due to the possibility of high fines or not the best gradation for road maintenance. See minutes from 10 August 2023, gravel quality.

Archertown road update: started ditching and road matrix preparation for paving. On target for construction work completion before winter. Committee still does not recommend grinding and inserting calcium chloride, unless properly ditched, 2-1/2 inch crown for 20 ft traveled road and compacted to 128 PCF, therefore reducing the high susceptibility to water absorption into the road matrix decreasing the risk of rutting and washout with heavy vehicle trafficking. Chase

stated, no ditching but after the grinding, 6 inches of gravel was going to be added with the calcium chloride.

Paving plan (1-5 years). Committee recommended (work session notes-included) For the roads: Indian pond road (Dame Hill to Archertown road), Archertown road (Indian pond road to High bridge), Grimes hill road-recommend warrant article for site specific road matrix preparation before paving: to include ditching, limbing trees, aggregate placement/removal, grading, culverts and any other general road matrix preparations prior to paving, utilizing Block Grant Aid-IAW RSA:235:23 payment for maintenance, construction and reconstruction of class IV and class V highways.

Committee recommends approaching R&D, who has obtained contract for paving current Archertown road, to obtain estimate to shim from Townshed road, at minimum 3,000 ft towards Route 10. This is a top concern for the committee due to the knowledge of Jacobs brook bridge not being executed for at least 2 years into 2025. Funding could be used from current year's budget allocation. Also, there is concern for Archertown road rapid road deterioration from the entrance/exit of trucks from (Laundry business-don't know exact company name)

Next meeting 12 October 2023

Charlie motioned to adjourn at 7:10 pm 2nd by Mike  
Submitted by Charlie