

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ROAD COMMITTEE MARCH 26,2013 MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM. Those attending were: John Chandler, Scott Coen, Lester Cressy, David White, Supt. Of Public Works John Thayer, absent was Kent Symonds. Member of the public Anya Kattf was also present.

I. The minutes of our January 29, 2013 meeting were approved as written.

II. Discussion of condition of Hatfield Road. Ms. Kattf was in to express her concerns about the condition of Hatfield Road, and to see if there were any plans for improving it. The committee explained some of the history of that road, how it had never been properly built, that any proposals to improve it in the past had been blocked by a few residents who wanted it left the way it is to slow traffic down, and discourage people from using it. It was noted that this committee knew there was a need to repair/reconstruct the road, but with limited funds available, it would be a few years before any major work could be done.

John Thayer stated that he planned to do a maintenance shim this summer, that this would buy us some time until funds were available to reconstruct the road. This material would not be wasted, as it would be reclaimed in the construction process, and could be used for a base material in the future.

It was also noted that the committee can only make recommendations, the final decision is up to the Board of Selectmen. Ms. Kattf thanked the committee for listening to her concerns, and we invited her to return in a few months for an update on our progress.

III. Discussion of long range planning for reconstruction of Town roads: Lester suggested that a long range plan, maybe 5 years or more, would help us and the Highway Dept. to prioritize road repair and construction in the future. John Thayer stated he could use the ROAD SURFACE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM to help with this. He will work on this for the next meeting.

IV. Updates from John Thayer: John passed around a packet from BELL AND FLYNN INC. telling about the process of liquid asphalt injection. He would like to explore this process further, to possibly use this on some of our roads.

V. Public comments: The only public comments were brought up in article II.

VI. Lester mentioned he had invited the new Fire Chief Doug Mumford to attend one of our meetings to discuss any issues he might have with our roads.

VII We adjourned at 8:45 PM

These minutes were prepared by lester Cressy, and are not official until approved at our next meeting