# **Road and Weed Committee Meeting**

# February 13, 2018

**Committee Members Present:** Chairman Dennis Riley, Tim Brockett, Richard Johnson (RJ), Jeff Riederer, Linda Ulrich, Ia Williams, Claudette Dirkers, Newman Brozovsky and Gerald Dubiel

Committee Members Absent: Walter Wunsch and Val O'Connell

Landowners in Attendance: Joanna Dawson, Michele McCowan and Donna Lash-Andersen

Landowner representative: Sally Muto

This meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM.

#### 1. Visitor Comments:

Joanna Dawson talked about complex water issues with the surrounding land and driveways adjacent to Gemini Road. We discussed possible solutions, with the first step being an on-site inspection of the area.

**Action Item:** To evaluate flooding conditions on Gemini Road, a Road Walk was scheduled for Saturday, February 17, 2018, at 10:00 AM.

#### 2. Mowing Contract:

Joanna Dawson expressed an interest in being rehired to mow roadside weeds in Glastonbury, this summer. She is checking into purchasing a new mowing attachment for her tractor, which is safer and would double the mowing width. As is standard practice, the Road Committee will solicit other bids.

**Motion:** Tim made a motion to compose a preliminary work order for summer mowing. By the next meeting it will be completed and converted into a contract. Linda seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## 3. Financial Report:

This year's GLA Road Budget was carefully itemized and reviewed. Financials will be updated on a monthly basis. Current figures are attached to these minutes.

#### 4. Update on Quonset Hut Driveway:

The improvement to the Quonset Hut driveway is nearing completion. Some of the driveway surface needs additional gravel, road mix and rolling.

#### 5. Capricorn Flooding:

During the Capricorn Road Walk on 2-10-18, committee members and Road Contractor Chad Standish discussed the flooding issues there.

Here are his three recommendations:

- 1. Create a holding area on right side of Capricorn Drive at the base of the hill near parcel NG 28-A.
- 2. Place a culvert underneath the road that would come out at the easement on the other side of the road near the power box on parcel 11-E. We would need landowner permission from NG 11-E to ditch into a natural drainage path outside of the easement.
- 3. Place a culvert diagonally across Capricorn Drive to NG 11-D. We would need landowner permission to drain water from there.
- \*All three plans will include building up the low spot in the road by 8-12 inches.
- \*Chad Standish will have written proposals for the Monday Board Meeting (Feb 19).

**Motion:** Gerald made a motion that Linda and Claudette contact the owner of NG parcel 28-A to discuss possible landscaping and drainage solutions on that property. Jeff seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**6. Sand Order:** Claudette gave Jeff the bids that she had collected from local sand providers. Delivery takes 3-4 days.

**Motion:** Jeff made a motion that we purchase 80 tons of dry sand from Fisher Sand and Gravel in Livingston. Claudette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 7. SG and NG Spring Grading:

By the next committee meeting in early April, the spring grading proposal will be completed by Tim. The priority for spring grading will be in NG. To prevent further deterioration of saturated roadbeds from localized flooding, professional solutions need to be implemented.

Fall grading in NG had been postponed due to the early onset of winter. There is less work in SG because some fall grading was able to be completed, and the ditches are channeling water away from the roadbeds.

Recently, the width of Arcturus Drive was discovered to be at 30 feet, so the electrical lines are now too close the edges of the road. During spring grading, this road will be narrowed to 24 feet, which matches county standards.

To improve water drainage in NG/SG, additional installation of culverts in strategic locations is under consideration. Until the roadbeds are sufficiently dry, applying magnesium chloride is on hold.

**Motion:** As requested by Standish, Tim made a motion to add an addendum to the unfinished Fall Grading Contract for magnesium chloride to have a specific gravity of 30% when applied to roads in NG and SG. Jeff seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Tim motioned for Road Committee to ask the board to approve up to \$100 to purchase hardware to install NG/SG safety signs that were ordered in December and have been delivered. Jeff seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## 8. CUT/GAV Snowplowing Contract:

Contract has been signed by the responsible parties.

#### 9. Team Member Additions:

RJ brought up the necessity of changing out smoke and carbon monoxide detectors every ten years. He requested this safety information be posted the website/forum.

**Motion:** Linda made a motion to ask the board to approve \$100 compensation to the owner NG parcel 11-E for property damage to straw bales and a dog run due to flooding. Claudette seconded. Motion passed with nine "Yes" votes. Newman abstained.

10. Next Road Committee Meeting: April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 PM

Meeting concluded at 9:08 PM

# **2018 Road Committee Finances**

#### **Draft Budget-Line Item Amounts:**

1010 Contracted Snow Removal \$12,000.00

1011 Equipment Rental \$2,000.00

- 1012 Snow Fences and Barriers \$ 2,295.00
- 1013 Sand and Delivery \$1,200.00
- 1016 Snow Wages paid, payroll and Taxes \$1,200.00
- 1016-D Snow Fence wages paid \$500.00
- 1021 Truck Registration and Insurance \$900.00
- 1024 Truck Maintenance \$1,500.00
- 1025 Fuel \$600.00
- 1026 Wages for Truck Maintenance \$250.00

# **Road Maintenance:**

- 1031 Weed Control \$2,500.00
- 1032 Roadside Mowing \$3,600.00
- 1035-A NG Gravel Road Maintenance \$14,360.00
- 1035-B NG Paved Road \$11,000.00
- 1035-C NG Mag Chloride \$6,000.00
- 1036-A SG Gravel Road Maintenance \$25,360.00
- 1036-B SG Gravel Road Mag Chloride \$6,000.00
- 1045 Signs and Posts \$1,000.00

# Funds for Road Maintenance – As of December 31, 2017

- 013 NG Chip Seal Reserve Cash \$2,342.30
- 014-A NG Road Reserve Cash \$59,086.15

Minus \$10,341.00 for 2017 Fall Grading not yet completed

Minus \$6,000.00 for 2017 Paved Road ditching and hill pushback

January 20<sup>th</sup> balance = \$42,745.15

014-B SG Road Reserve Cash \$34,741.16

Minus \$8,089.00 for Fall Grading not yet completed

Minus \$7,000.00 for 2017 Culvert work

January 20<sup>th</sup> Balance = \$19,652.16

016 Snow Removal Reserve Cash \$26,077.99