

GLA Road Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday Feb. 8, 2024
Phone-in meeting only

Committee members present: John Carp, Doug Gill, Jack Sutton, Scott Stomieroski, Walter Wunsch.

Committee members absent: Neil, Linda Kremer.

Landowners' phone-in: Joe Bezotsky

Meeting called to order by John at 7:05 pm.

Landowner comments: Joe B. questioned the allocation of funds between North and South and felt assigning certain funds or work limitations to one or the other was not fair. The committee responded by saying needs are addressed as they arise, there is no limitation on one or the other. Funds are earmarked in the annual budget, but those amounts will vary as needs arise throughout the year.

1. Walter Wunsch volunteered for South Chair and John Carp agreed to remain on as North Chair.
Motion: Doug: To approve John as North and Walter as South Road Chairs, respectively. Second: Scott. Motion passed unanimously.
2. The committee set new meeting times for Road Committee: The second Wednesday of each month. The PRC will meet on first Wednesday of each month.
3. Discussion to approve 2024 road budget to remain the same as 2023.
Motion: Walter: To approve the 2024 road budget at \$130, 968. Second: Doug. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Discussion to raise the Emergency Road Fund above \$500 to allow for more timely road repairs to be addressed quickly. Motion: Walter: Increase Emergency Fund limit to \$2000. Doug and John to approve emergency allocations as needed. Second: Scott. Motion passed unanimously. Doug recused.
5. Discussion on private roads and addressing the issue of no GLA road service for private subdivision landowners. Some private subdivision landowners feel they should get the same service as other landowners.
The committee felt funding the private road services would be challenging. The committee did not rule out private road funding, but much work would need to be done to begin to address the situation. Doug will bring the issue to the legal committee to request the GLA attorney to review the situation on the private road issue, in order that the GLA can have a better understanding for future work and have information to communicate to the private subdivision residents.
6. Discussion on long-term maintenance and funding for it. The committee reviewed the previous committees' long term planning meeting from May 1, 2023. That report advocated earmarking around \$55,000 per year to cover costs for North asphalt road chip sealing, and other projects. Discussion focused on increasing revenues to achieve that funding. All agreed more research needed to assess exactly what are the current state of the roads and what is needed for maintaining viability long-term care, which can be very costly, particularly base replacement on gravel roads. The committee will get more analysis by contractors. Once assessments are completed by Standish and possibly other contractors this spring and summer, then modes of funding will be reviewed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm. John Carp North Road Chair

