

**MINUTES OF THE FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.
HOMESTEAD FELCO ROOM**

Members Present: Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand, Andy Godin,

Guests: Howard Vansette, Jeremy Barnum, Robert Gates, Dennis Dunlavey and Court Perry from Munson.

Peter called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., pledge of allegiance was said.

Pidgeon Hill Culvert Project: Howard has been monitoring the culvert for some time; it has begun caving in in the middle and is coming apart. VTrans has reviewed and advised it must be replaced before it fails. VTrans has been awarded an emergency grant for the replacement; the town must match with 10% funding. Munson was awarded the contract for \$123,750 to install the new culvert with the help of the highway crew. Peter advised Court from Munson will speak of the project. It will be an aluminum pipe arch culvert; with four aluminum head walls, the pipe will be two feet below the water level. The head walls will be four below the surface for better erosion bank control. Munson has contacted ANR regarding getting a stream alteration permit. The town will install a bypass road for traffic during the work; they will use a bypass pump to transfer the water from the work area. The project should start September 14th; will start digging out the road and piling the materials for reuse. Pipe should arrive end of the week and be assembled and place within the next week. This is a critical time for farmers as well with corn crops. Guard rails will be installed once completed.

Howard advised he will install steel plates over the culvert on the bypass road; will have the road ready by Sept 14th to begin work. He will be in touch with Vaillancourt's Transport regarding the milk hauling during this period. Install signs warning of road construction when starting the bypass road.

Yvon/Andy made a motion to accept the contract to Munson Earth-Moving for the Pidgeon Hill project in the amount of \$123,750, give Peter authority to sign the contract. All members voted in favor 3-0, motion passed. Peter and Court signed the contract copies.

Discussion of the dirt roads and the farm traffic that causes so much damage and dust. Not sure what can be done about it.

Yvon/Andy made a motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. All members voted in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk
August 27, 2015

These minutes are not official until approved at the Select board's next regular meeting.
These minutes were approved at the September 2, 2015 meeting.