

**MINUTES OF THE FRANKLIN SELECTBOARD
MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2013 @ 9:30 AM
TOWN GARAGE
AND
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

Members Present: Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand, Kyle Lothian, Wayne Laroche

Guests: Peter Mazurak from Cross Consulting, Howard Vansette, Roland Lontine, Kim Gates.

Peter Magnant called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

Sand Shed: discussed the size and location as well as the water run-off issues.

Wayne/Yvon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All members voted in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Members Present: Peter Magnant, Yvon Dandurand, Kyle Lothian, Wayne Laroche, and Lisa Larivee (Town Clerk)

Guests: Jim Cota and Diane Perley from VTrans District 8, Howard Vansette.

Peter Magnant called the meeting to order at 10:40. Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Roads: Peter turned the meeting over to Jim and Diane. Diane explained the FY14 grant program. Need to have a current within 3 years culvert/infrastructure inventory to get 90% funding for grants. Bethany at NWRP has been assisting Howard with updating the inventory. Max grant amount is \$175,000 for each paving and structures.

Road and Bridge codes and standards must also be adopted annually. There are 2013 updated coded/standards. Some concerns with the new standards are for the use of "processed" gravel. If the gravel is run through a screen it is considered processed. Ditching work must be seeded and mulched immediately to avoid erosion and sediment washing. With more than a 5% profile of slope stone must be used; check dams of a stone horseshoe design must be constructed as well. Driveways must be designed properly, using the B-71 plans from the state are recommended. Use turn-outs at end of ditches where able.

Better Back Roads grants are not administered through AOT with a \$10,000 max amount.

Dewing Rd Bridge: Town Clerk is requested to resubmit the grant application for the structure project; attached the engineer plans. Any additional engineer expenses can still be submitted for reimbursement of the current grant which remains in effect until June 2014. Will review with Ruggiono to be sure all the necessary permits are in the process.

Discussed the bridge project and concerns with an abutter. The guardrails appear to be very long; may be able to be adjusted as long as they meet the minimum for standards. Review the speed limit posting as well which can have an effect on the required standards. The board would like Jim to be present at the public hearing later this spring as well as the engineer of the project. Jim advised to be sure that the town acquires three bids for the construction of the project.

Kyle/Yvon made a motion to adjourn the meeting, all members voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Larivee, Town Clerk
March 27, 2013

These minutes are not official until approved at the Select board's next regular meeting. Approved by Selectboard on April 9, 2013.