

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Sherwood Forest Road Maintenance District

Saturday, December 3rd, 2011

Committee Members Present: David Bonney, Marty Feit, Clerk-Treasurer; Al Barvenik, David Devane, Gilles Beaudoin, Nancy Devane.

Committee Members Absent: Gerry Grondin

Public Present: None.

The meeting is opened at 10:30 am.

Location: Becket Town Hall, 557 Main Street

Meeting Introduction; I.A.W. - M.G.L. CH39- Section 23C.

Approval of November 5th, 2011 Meeting Minutes- Mr. Al Bavernik makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes from November 5th, Mr. David Bonney seconds motion; Unanimous approval.

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Calls/Complaints:

Mr. David Devane advises that there were no calls/complaints. Mr. Devane advises that he has not yet been able to get an engineer to come up and price the job. Dave states that Berkshire Engineering was supposed to show up and never did. Mr. Bonney states that the Conservation Commission is waiting to hear back from the Road District and that they need to find an engineer quickly. Mr. Devane informs the board that he has also contacted Foesight Land Services, and they have not yet gotten back to him either. It is suggested that they should try and contact the firm of Kelly, Granger and Parsons, out of Great Barrington. Member of the public, Heather Hunt, makes this suggestion, stating that Mike Parsons does a lot of work in Becket and that he frequently has clients that he brings before the Planning Board. Mr. Devane makes note of this, stating that he will try to contact them as well.

Mr. Bonney asks if Mr. Devane has a list of all the street signs that are to be replaced. Mr. Devane advises that he does not yet have a complete list, however he is currently working on it.

Work Orders- Mr. Bonney advises that everything has a work order, and that all looks good. Mr. Bonney also states that he has talked to Mr. Craig Willis and that he is on board with this as well.

David Devane, Road Superintendent

Public Participation-None

Treasurer's Report- Marty informs Committee members present that this will be his last meeting for three months. He advises that he will continue to prepare all the meeting documents, email them to Ms. Heather Hunt and she will then make copies for all members present and bring them to the meeting, which she will be attending for the next three months. Marty confirms that he will be in contact over the phone and that if the committee members would like Marty would also phone-in for the scheduled meetings and always be available for any questions or comments that may arise. Marty also reminds committee members that they all need to go on-line and complete the Conflict of Training requirement, print out the certificate and turn it in to the Town Clerk. Marty asks that committee members please have this completed by the next meeting.

Marty informs committee members that they now have MBT for their new Bank. Marty reviews the bank balances and the warrant with committee members present. Marty advises that he is still waiting for the documents from FEMA. He advises that he has a document for Craig Willis to sign and have notarized, then it will be submitted and they can reasonably expect that they should receive the money within two weeks. Marty states that they will be receiving about \$109,000 from FEMA. He states that the actual bill from Mr. Willis is \$118,000 and that he has given him \$25,000 towards that amount already. Committee members discuss giving Mr. Willis an additional \$25,000 now so that he can pay some of the vendors that are currently owed money. Committee members unanimously agree that they should go ahead and give him another \$25,000, Marty amends the warrant to appropriate for the additional monies. Mr. Bonney notices that the bill submitted is not specific as it should be, stating that "sand" and "salt" are listed, but hours are not broken down and vendors are not listed. He explains that he needs to be more detailed in the future, naming the specific vendors. Marty advises that he will write Craig a letter, explaining exactly what is expected in the future and what documents need to be submitted.

Marty states that the committee should seriously consider raising the meeting pay for the committee members, to make it more attractive for the members to attend all the scheduled meetings. Mr. Bonney adds that they also need to be recruiting new members, advising that they do not have alternates that are so often needed.

Ms. Nancy Devane makes a motion to add the \$25,000 to the warrant to pay White Wolf; Al Bavernik seconds motion; Unanimous Approval.

Warrant Approval- A motion is made to approve the warrant as amended, the motion is seconded; Unanimous Approval.

Website Update- Committee members discuss the fact that the website is up and running and that all looks good. Mr. Bonney advises that the only thing that he noticed missing is the winter parking ban dates and that the dates should be posted the same as the Town. Committee members discuss the actual dates to be posted and advise that they would double check with Mr. William Elovirta as to what the correct dates should be.

Committee Report- Mr. Bonney asks about what needs to be done still with the road openings. Mr. Devane advises that they were able to only do four of the roads, then the weather started to get bad.

Marty informs the committee that he has still not received a bill from Mike MacEnerney for his work that he has done thus far on the website. Marty advises that he will send him a letter to remind him to submit his bill timely and will also take the opportunity to ask him to consider joining the committee.

A motion is made to adjourn the meeting, motion is seconded, and the meeting is adjourned at 11:20 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marty Feit
Clerk-Treasurer