

Stow Road Committee Meeting

6:30pm, 9/18/25

**Minutes Approved**

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

**Road Committee Present (All):** Carl Drew, Troy Drew, Mike Tamaska, Belle Stafford

**Select Board Present:** Steve Dupuis, Rob Flint (absent: Sarah Shute)

**Guests:** Nancy Boros, SB Treasurer

Approval of 9/11/25 Minutes (4-0)

**ROAD MAINTENANCE**

-Khriel started grading the previous Monday but stopped - too dry

-They will jump right on it after the next rain

**SOUTH CHATHAM ROAD**

-Carl met with Jeff Burke to discuss next steps

-Current condition: 4-6" of reprocessed tar in the center of the road; road not wide enough to get a good crown where needed; down to nothing on the outside edges; about a 100 foot section that is all sand underneath

-CULVERTS: a 3-footer and a 2-footer need to be replaced; one is broken in the middle; 3-footer is on granite on each side.

-Recommended work: needs approximately 40 loads (combination of our gravel and reprocessed tar); grade and shape road; fix two culverts; compact and grade at both ends so we will be ready to pave next year.

-Rough estimate:

-14K to replace culverts (use our culverts)

-20K for material & grading (use our gravel and Burke's ¾ pack)

-1.5K road sign rental

-plus 10% contingency

**ROAD WORK - Burke is available Oct 6 & 7**

-One full day to replace the culverts; will have to close the road for that

-Another day to bring in the material and do final grading

-Will need to sand bag the water flow. This is a good time of year with the water so low

-Notify Harold Drew & the fire station re: road work & closure

-Hear back from bus company so we can work around their route and know when to close the road. We think 3 busses (Chatham, Stow & short bus). Close 7:30am-3pm?

-Get cost estimate from Burke & certificates of insurance

-Rent 2 road closure signs - Carl recommends United Rentals.

-\$1,500 estimate for two signs?

-We would be covered by Town insurance plan

-Announce in the paper (Daily Sun & Bridgton News - 2 days each starting 9/30)

-Use Rob Flint's field as staging area if necessary

Selectboard MOTION to move ahead with the S. Chatham Road project, with Burke, for an estimate of 45K (2-yes, 1-abstain due to absence)

NEXT STEP: get solid numbers on cost of paving, for next year's budget

#### CHATHAM ROAD (113B)

- Needs either cold patch or hot patch on the hill where road is falling apart - before winter
- Carl will get some figures
  - Gene at PermaPuddle
  - Clover Paving
- Manzer will be in S. Hiram next spring. Maybe he can come over after that.
- Figures would be similar to S Chatham Road - almost the exact same length

#### STONEHOUSE ROAD - class 6 road

- take a look at condition after logging (George Andrews)

#### BONDS

- Nancy called MMA legal and asked about the Bond procedure
- ME Bond Bank is at 4.03% right now
- Bonds are sold in the Fall & Spring, and are typically for longer term projects
- Length of loan can be as long as the "useful" length of the project ie: new road is good for 15-20 years
- By contrast, the TAN is for cash flow

Meeting adjourned 8:15pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Isabelle Stafford, secretary