



CITY OF DOVER

CLASS VI ROADWAYS AD HOC COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: Council Conference Room – 288 Central Ave, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: **Tuesday, June 26, 2007**
Meeting Time: **5:00 pm**

Members present: Bruce Woodruff, Doug Steele, Tom Fargo, Don Andolina, Eric Hageman, Dean Trefethen, Betsey McNaughten, and Cheryl Niles.

Meeting called to order at 5:05pm

Minutes of the May 1, 2007 meeting were approved with corrections. Andolina motion, Steele second. Unanimous. Minutes of the June 5, 2007 meeting were approved with corrections. Fargo motion, Andolina second. Unanimous. Note: Due to lack of quorum the June 18, 2007 meeting was cancelled.

Discussion on Green Hill Road continued. Woodruff presented two maps of the area, one a tax map from Madbury and a second a tax map from Dover. It has been discovered that the Belden, Inc. property in Madbury has been taken by the town for lack of tax payments, but that the Dover portion has had its taxes paid, although Madbury thinks they now own the entire parcel. This needs to be sorted out so that we know who we need to talk to about this property and its relationship to the road. Woodruff will follow up with Madbury. Also, another property owner,

Brox, has indicated they would not oppose converting the road to a municipal trail if that was the committee's wish. Woodruff will send registered letters to the area's property owners explaining our thoughts and asking their input and he will follow up with Madbury and Barrington about the municipal trail idea.

Discussion on Nute road continued. Steele had researched the sewer easement the city holds in the area and discovered that the easements were only for portions of the sewer route that were not following the road. Apparently it was felt that the city did not need a formal easement for the road portion since the right of way (ROW) was already established. In light of this discovery the committee's consensus was that we should maintain this road as a Class VI to preserve the ROW and the city's ability to access the sewer line for maintenance. The chair will write up a set of recommendations for the committee to review at the next meeting.

Citizen's Forum: Rick Hebbard addressed the Covered Bridge Lane area and passed out a number of pictures showing present conditions and made suggestions on how to handle making the area conform to proper Class VI requirements. He also recommended immediate action to erect some form of safety barrier at the actual river crossing. (Steele indicated the city may have a couple of "jersey barriers" that could be used for this purpose but that this would not happen immediately.)

Future meeting dates were set for July 10, July 17 and August 7. On July 10 the Covered Bridge Lane area will be covered with an opportunity for abutters to comment on the proposed recommendations, also updates on Green Hill Road and Nute Road. On July 17 the committee will get a list and start discussions on any newly discovered Class VI roads. Trefethen will check with the city attorney on whether this committee is tasked with coming up with a list of Class VI roads that should designated as an "emergency lane."

Adjournment 5:55pm: Steele motion, Andolina second. Unanimous