

Class VI Road Ad Hoc Committee

Minutes of September 18, 2007 meeting

Members present: Doug Steele, Dean Trefethen, Rob Schneider, Paul Vlasich, Betsey McNaughten, Cheryl Niles, Bruce Woodruff, Jack McLaughlin, and Don Andolina.

Note: These minutes were created from memory of the chair as notes on the meeting were lost.

Meeting called to order at approximately 5:00pm.

Trefethen explained the options the committee had formulated for the Old Garrison Road (OGR) and David Tuttle Road (DTR) area. First that OGR from approximately the Towle's property to Bay View Road is a Class V road due to the city's continuing maintenance. Options on DTR were to leave as Class VI, convert to a municipal trail, or to discontinue the right of Way (ROW). Options for remaining portion of OGR were to leave as Class VI or to convert section from DTR to the Towle's to a municipal trail. Several residents and land abutters to the various road segments spoke about the options. Residents of OGR agreed that the current level of maintenance on the Class V section should be maintained, but not expanded to a higher level. There was also general agreement that the remaining various road sections should remain in Class VI status to maintain the current use of the roads, to keep the history of these roads alive, and to allow land owners current and future access. Trefethen will write up recommendations based on the committee's discussion and abutters comments.

The committee discussed Meserve Road and whether it was a Class VI or V or a private road/drive. Both Steele and Woodruff presented historical documentation and current information. Steele confirmed that the city has been maintaining the road, both plowing and grading, for sometime, but can't find a reason why. The committee's consensus was this is a private right of way and for that reason it should not be maintained by the city. Trefethen will convey the committee's findings to the city manager and city attorney for them to notify the effected residents.

Citizen's Forum: No record of any discussion.

Future meeting dates were set for October 2, 9, 16 and 23, also November 1, 13, and 20.

Adjournment.