



MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF BARNES ROADS AND RIGHT OF WAY COMMITTEE

July 8, 2019

Members present were Don Dealing, Tom Emerson, Greg Martin, Mark Holm

Also present: town roads foreman Eric Polkoski, Morgan and Parmley engineer Zech Gotham, and town board member Susan Jansen

Meeting called to order at 9:04AM, quorum established

Motion to approve minutes of 6/10/2019 passed, Emerson/Martin, without change

Road Management Plan

Eric: Plan has been initiated and is in progress. Preliminary discussion of various roads identified for repair.

Zech: Paved roads will be prioritized for upgrade along with review of maps and PASER ratings. Eric and Zech have driven nearly all of the township roads as preparation for the plan. Committee dialogue was wide-ranging and included but not limited to

- review of options for Ellison Lake and Moore Road intersection
- comparison of costs for crack seal, chip seal, slurry seal, and overlay
- importance of routing cracks to achieve a lasting crack seal

A written plan will be submitted for 30 paved roads, ranked by PASER rating, to include per-mile estimated cost by type of repair.

Denver Road

Discussion of efforts to avoid affecting the flood plain during upcoming repairs. Plastic mat will be used to reinforce vegetation near the Ounce River. Speed limits should be reviewed; most areas of Denver Road conform to a design speed of 30-40 mph. Committee moved to submit a recommendation to town board:

Motion for recommendation to Barnes town board, Martin/Emerson, passed unanimously:

The Roads and Right of Way committee recommends that Denver Road speeds be posted at 25 mph for reconstruction section (near Ounce River) and 35 mph for resurfacing section based on geometric design constraints.

Pine Chip Road resurfacing

Eric has obtained pricing estimates for resurfacing with recycled blacktop that had been suggested. The estimate for materials alone would be \$30,000 - \$40,000 – and those materials are not currently available. Other alternatives were discussed but there is no good, current, affordable solution. Appears only one local resident has expressed concern about Pine Chip. Eric will report to town board.

Culvert markers

Eric will order markers and identify respective culverts.

Prioritize road projects for next year's budget

Zech recommended, for 2020, we should prioritize work on Denver Road, Ellison Lake/Moore Road intersection (\$180,000), East Robinson Lake Road (\$150,000), and possibly Barnes Road.

Slope on Pease Road

Eric has obtained price estimates for pipes – cost will be \$1,320. Some question as to whether end walls are also needed. Committee's concern is that we will fix the slope at one limited location but leave other parts of the road below standard. Zech strongly recommended roadway delineators to mitigate potential hazard and legal exposure due to substandard sloping.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn, Dealing/Holm, passed. Meeting adjourned 11:38AM.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Holm, recorder

Next meeting August 12, 2019, 9:00AM