



## Office of Board of Selectmen Town of Mason

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Selectmen Staff Meeting 8/17/2020  
Approved Minutes

**Present:** Selectmen Louise Lavoie, Pete McGinnity, Charles Moser; David Morrison, Kathy Wile attending via roll call vote using the zoom meeting platform.

**Called to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 4:10 PM.

Dave brought a few updates:

- Employee has returned to work after illness, no restrictions. His short term disability paperwork has been submitted and approved by Health Trust.
- Dave said they have put out more calcium, have enough for about 4 miles of road in the tank, and will order the rest of their budgeted amount. They have been watering first, to help the calcium bind better. Charlie and Louise both agreed it seems to be working well. Dave added that now they are only treating dry spots and where there are houses close to the road.
- They have done some brush cutting, no mowing yet.
- Regarding the bridge at Jed's Lane – he has been in touch with Nick Goulas, the bridge inspector in Concord. They have added the bridge to their list to inspect, and will determine if it meets the criteria to be added to the bridge list. If it does, the state can do inspections every 2 years, and cover 80% of cost of repair/replacement as needed. Dave believes the bridge is safe, and will pursue getting weight limit signs as well. He does not have a date for the inspection, but there are 4 teams that cover the state. Hopeful it will be fairly soon, and the repairs costs can be included in next year's budget. He is also measuring other bridges in town to see if they will qualify for state listing.
- Bruce Berry has been helpful getting information to Dave regarding the bridge, and Dave would like to also have him consult in a paid capacity in regards to the rest of the Greenville Rd project. Discussion about contracted consultants, liability coverage – Kathy asked to contact Primex for that information.
- Andrew Smeltz and Cassie Mullen from NRPC will be in town tomorrow to go over road criteria, maps and check a few spots with Dave. That project will begin this week.
- Lighting update work scheduled to begin tomorrow as well – all materials have been delivered to the quanset hut at HD. Kathy is coordinating work schedule with Brett and Dave DeVincentis, the electrician doing the work. Dave added that Dave D will also hook up the tank alarm in the HD building while he is working there.
- Dave said they have done the grading work on the west side of the building yet, but is on his list. Louise asked it get scheduled and completed for sure. The level has been an issue – Charlie

suggested Dave look into renting a level for a couple days and doing all the culvert and grading work then.

Selectmen had a few items on their list as well

- Hired plow contract status? Dave said Ken has reviewed, Pete suggested getting it signed soon, now that Ken is back in town.
- Did Nate look at that truck? Dave hasn't heard about it, will call Nate and make an appointment to do that if it is still available.
- Loader repairs? Dave is scheduling that for Sept at same time the truck that does the hauling is in for repairs (waiting on a part).
- Exhaust fan for the welding station? Use the balance of the safety line, and take remaining balance from the sweeper line.
- Status of Russell Rd project? Dave thought the maps/plans were in the mail, but he hasn't received them yet. Abbott Hill – wetlands survey crew has been out there. Dave will call Erin about both projects; Russell Rd work should be completed before winter, need numbers for Abbott Hill project for budgeting for 2021.
- Brush from tree down on Brookline Rd – Dave will check with home owner about the wood, but will pick up the brush left behind.
- Louise asked about various things being left by the sides of the roads – asked about ROW concerns. Dave will measure the ROW of 25' from center of road for a particular property owner, and help them understand the requirement.
- Louise said the quarry working group will be recommending that the parking area at Scripp's Lane remain closed. Highway department should plan to move boulders before winter to allow for turn around room, then replace them again in spring.
- Dave mentioned he is taking Thursday off, and Roy will have the phone. Brief review of procedure when Dave isn't available and the related compensation.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, Louise motioned to adjourn, second from Pete. Roll call showed three votes to adjourn at 5:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Wile  
BOS Administrative Assistant