

BAKER HILL ROAD DISTRICT
PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE
WILLIAM PRENDERGAST, CHAIR

20 Bridge Street, Lanesborough, MA
Meeting Minutes, SEPTEMBER 14, 2022 - 12 PM

Attending: William Prendergast (Chairman), Hank Sayers, Linda Pruyne (Treasurer), Mark Siegars (Attorney), Kristen Tool (Website), Bill Decelles (Department of Public Works), Chief Rob Derksen (Lanesborough Police Dept.), Charles Durfee (DPW)

Absent: John Goerlach

Meeting called to order: 12:03 PM

Public Comment: None forthcoming

Minutes: Held over to future meeting.

Road Maintenance Report

From August 11 to September 13 the road was monitored several times. Waiting to hear back from the crack sealers. The hot box is expected in the next few weeks.

Mr. Siegars reported answering questions about the monies given to the town by the Road District for the DPW. Town accountant is clear now that we are not dictating how the monies are spent for either the DPW or the Police Department under the contracts. Chief Derksen also reported on the success of the stealth data collection box which had its maiden voyage on Balance Rock Road. Over the day it counted 400 cars and half of them were speeding. The data will help to target patrols during peak hours.

The Committee discussed how to simplify the accounting of the monies BHRD provides annually for DPW, Police and the Fire Department.

Mr. Prendergast asked Mr. Durfee to attend the meetings as Mr. Decelles has done and report on the activity by DPW for the Road District. He agreed.

Legal Issues

The only legal issue is the upcoming Target ATB hearing. We are waiting for information to share with the town.

Audit

Ms. Pruyne is waiting for Mr. Scanlon request documents from her. Mr. Siegars said he would call Mr. Scanlon to get an update.

Road Project Status

Mr. Siegars reported that Jeff Collingwood is ready to advertise the bid, but he has been asked to put the project on hold until February.

Upcoming Elections

Scheduling a meeting with Paul Mark while he is campaigning in anticipation of his election on November 8th. Mr. Siegars will try to set an appointment.

Website Update

Ms. Tool reported very light traffic on the website; 13 people, for 8 minutes on site.

Motion to Adjourn. Mr. Sayers moved a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Prendergast. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned: 1:10 PM

Future Meeting: October 12, 2022, 20 Bridge Street at 12 PM.