Selectboard List of current and ongoing projects 9/18/18

These are not in any order but a brief description of where we are as of this date.

- Danville Hill Water Line- 2018-This project was worked on throughout the summer to replace
 the main service line. As with any projects, there were some delays due to road closings. We
 think the contractor did a very good job replacing a line that was leaking thousands of gallons of
 water. The final closeout list of items outstanding is currently being completed so that the town
 can sign off the project.
- Wastewater Plant- We are in the process of replacing an older control panel whose components are no longer available.
- Cemetery Tree Removal- The Cemetery Commission and the Selectboard discussed removal of
 trees from the various town cemeteries. Many of the trees are rotting at the base and need to
 be removed before they fall on power lines or into the cemetery causing damage to head stones
 that have a personal and historic value to the town. Alexander Tree Service was the lone bidder.
 There will be another round of tree cutting as more funds become available.
- Old Route 2 reconstruction. The Route 2 multi- year reconstruction project has used Old Rt 2 in moving materials and has caused some damage to the road surface. After meeting with Contractor JA MacDonald, Agency of Transportation and home owners who use the road, it was discussed that grinding down the existing road rather than repaving it at a considerable cost to the town would be a better solution. Various culverts have to be repaired and replaced to round out the project. The state is willing to help with grant funds. There are some other approaches being discussed other than grinding with a plan needing to be in place soon before the snow flies.
- Porter Road Culvert- Replacement of existing culvert with spring 2019 paid for under a FEMA HMGP grant.
- Sawmill Dam- We have had various meetings over a long period of time with the Department of Environmental Conservation, Ottauquechee Regional Planning-CDBG Grant folks on a project to remove the collapsed buildings on the sawmill dam site as a beginning phase and eventually thru other funding to remove the dam to lessen upstream flooding. The grant covers all expenses to the town. The landowner is paid 75% of the assessed value and all other expenses are covered. There has been some contamination found at the site and noted in the Executive Summary and Conclusions/ Recommendations from a 300 plus page report. We are waiting for more test results this week to define what areas of remediation (reversing or stopping any environmental damage) need addressing. The Selectboard will be deciding on September 18 to go ahead with the grant or forgo the project.
- Sawmill Yellow House- Possible site for redevelopment. Would need grant funds to pursue any kind of renovation.
- Lower Cabot Store: A recommendation from DEC as a potential buyout project. Landowner is working with FEMA. It could take years before there is any availability of federal monies.
- Proposed Fire Department/Ambulance Facility: The working group is meeting monthly on the
 last Thursday at 6:30 p.m. and making progress. A recent meeting had some town folks show up
 with very good questions and recommendations. I urge you to speak to fire department and
 ambulance volunteers with any questions regarding the need for this facility and the ongoing
 problems with the current location.

- Route 2 Town Parcel- the Town owns 3.9-acre parcel from a tax sale that needs action. Redevelop, sell or what?
- New Dog Ordinance finished this year.
- Commercial Public Assembly Ordinance tabled currently.
- Discussions on Junk Yard Ordinance
- Discussions on some needed renovations to the Recycling Center/Old Saw Mill
- FY 2020 budget development will start in early November.
- Participate in the review of the GMP project at Marshfield Dam.
- Miscellaneous road projects over the last two years.

If you have any questions, please free to call us or stop by the Town Clerk and leave a message.

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