

Town of Montville Public Works Sub-Committee
Meeting Minutes of May 13, 2009
Town Hall – 6:15 p.m.

1. **Call to Order** – Chairman Radgowski called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call** – Present were Councilors Buebendorf, Murphy and Radgowski. Also present was Don Bourdeau, Public Works Director.
4. **Approval of Minutes** – Motion made by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Buebendorf to approve the meeting minutes as submitted. Discussion: none. Voice vote: 3-0, all in favor, motion carried.
5. **Remarks from the Public Regarding Items on the Agenda** – none.
6. **Communications** – none.
7. **Old Business**

1. **Update Bridges**

D. Bourdeau discussed the progress to date regarding the Old Colchester Road Bridge repairs. He explained the project is moving forward and the Town is waiting on approvals from the State. He stated he met with the utility company to discuss the most efficient method of moving the power lines during construction. Councilor Murphy inquired if the road will require closing during construction and D. Bourdeau stated if it did require closing it would only be for a day or two but he thinks it can be done with a one lane road for the majority of construction. A discussion was held regarding emergency personnel and a detour route should the road require shutting down. D. Bourdeau updated the progress to the Montville Road Bridge, stating they are continuing to work on the design for the bridge with the hope there may be money available from a stimulus package for repairs in the future.

2. **Un-Named Road between Depot Road and Pink Row** – D. Bourdeau explained he is going to leave this item on the agenda although he does not have anything additional to report at this time.

3. **Update on Road Repairs/Paving**

D. Bourdeau stated they have started minor repairs of the road edges. He stated crack sealing and micro paving will begin soon. A discussion was held regarding the need for

repairs to the Montville Fire Station parking lot. A discussion was held regarding various roads in need of repairs this year due to the harsh winter.

4. **Update Sand and Salt Budget**

D. Bourdeau explained there is a deficit of \$220,000 for sand and salt this year. He stated the Finance Director is aware of the situation and is looking into where the money will come from in the budget to cover this cost. A discussion was held regarding the benefits of using molasses on the roads and the benefits of salt vs. sand. D. Bourdeau indicated salt costs more than sand but there is less clean up required in the spring, saving the town money. D. Bourdeau discussed the possibility of a Storm Water Utility, a separate entity that would exclusively take on the responsibility of storm water quality and maintenance. He explained the extra cost to pay into a system for drainage maintenance would be approximately one hundred dollars per household. He discussed the EPA requirements for cleaning and maintaining storm water drains and basins.

5. **Fitch Hill Road**

D. Bourdeau stated he does not have anything new to report regarding this issue, and that he will need to set up an appointment with the homeowner to discuss an easement.

8. **New Business**

1. **Senior Center Roof**

D. Bourdeau stated the roof at the Senior Center is rotted and in need of replacement. He stated the whole roof does not need to be replaced and estimated the cost to repair the portion of the rotted roof to be approximately six thousand dollars. The contractors have been delayed due to bad weather but he hopes as soon as the weather clears they will be able to get in there to determine the extent of the damage.

2. **Camp Oakdale**

D. Bourdeau discussed the design for the proposed multi use path. He explained the proposal is not funded but he hopes to have the design ready to go in case there is funding available in the future. He stated there are many uses for the path and similar multi use paths in other towns have been an asset to the towns.

9. **Remarks from the Public** – none.

10. **Remarks from the Committee** – none.

11. **Adjournment**

Motion made by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Buebendorf to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Discussion: none. Voice vote: 3-0, all in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Audrey Ulmer, Recording Secretary for the Town of Montville