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## Road Advisory Committee Minutes August 10, 2020

Members Present: Doug Hall, Russ Blaney, Jason Weir, Craig Sykes  
Guest attending: Richard Bouchard  
Member Absent: Brian Eldredge

Chairman Doug Hall opened the meeting at 6:34 pm in the Chichester Highway Department office

A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the RAC meeting of February 10, 2020.

A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the RAC meeting of June 8, 2020.

NOTE: The meeting scheduled for July 13 had been cancelled due to the lack of a Road Agent and no urgency in making any decisions.

Craig Sykes, the newly appointed Road Agent, introduced himself and explained briefly his experience in public works and as a road agent. As he has only been working in Chichester for 5 days, he was just beginning to learn our situation. He indicated that among his priorities are to fill the 2 other full time highway positions by the end of August (or shortly thereafter) and to get all highway equipment in to good working order. Committee members explained the purpose and history of the RAC.

The Committee discussed the status of the Bear Hill Road reconstruction that had been budgeted for this summer. Jason and Richard indicated that the Board of Selectmen would most likely encumber those funds and that the work will occur in 2021. Craig was told that preparation work on Horse Corner should be done to the extent he can fit it into his plan.

Doug noted that the RAC needs to prepare a 2020 report that will identify the road segments to be done in 2021 with additional town appropriations. Craig indicated that he would review the conditions on the 5 segments the committee has previously listed as likely priorities.

Richard and Jason indicated that the Board of Selectmen had reviewed and changed the charter of the RAC to now include reconstruction of dirt roads as well as paved roads.

Doug raised the issue of needing two additional members of the RAC to meet the requirements for a total of 7 members. All agreed to make one-on-one requests of Chichester residents to obtain volunteers.

At 7:30 pm a motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting

Next RAC meetings are scheduled for September 14, October 12, November 9, and December 14

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Douglas Hall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "D".

Douglas Hall, Chair