

## TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS

DRAPER ROOM, TOWN HALL 78 HOPEDALE ST. HOPEDALE, MA

January 10, 2024 5:00PM

Meeting Minutes

Chairman call to order at 502pm

## Attendance:

- Eli Potty, George Lovewell, Justin Paulson, Stan Golenski, Mitch Ruscitti.
- Bill Buckey from GFI via zoom.
  - Motion made by George second by Justin to approve the meeting minutes of December 13, 2023 meeting. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passed. Minutes approved.
  - 2. New Business: GFI Planning Board Intersection approval review with Mitch Ruscitti. Discussion, lead by Mitch Ruscitti was held around the design of the intersection of Plain Street and Hartford Ave. Bill Buckley from GFT was in attendance to answer questions and concerns. Three proposals were delivered to the Road Commissioners. Motion made by Justin, second by Eli to approve proposal number 3. The vote taken motion passed. Version three will have a wide turning lane for trucks with landscaping on the roadside. PDF of the three version have been saved on a usb drive as well as the Road Comms meeting folder for January 2024 located on the Highway Department computer. Other points of discussion were:
    - Are crosswalks and sidewalks needed? No as there is no foot traffic in that area.
    - Was a traffic study done? Yes
    - Restricting use of Mellen, Newton and Warfield Streets for truck traffic should be addressed. Who is responsible for that? DOT?
    - Striping-who is responsible for that?
    - Drainage- how will that be managed?
    - Plant maintenance-who is responsible for that?
  - 3. Correspondence and updates

- a. Budget to date reviewed. No questions or discussion. Motion made by George seconded by Justin to approve budget as delivered. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passed.
- b. Roadway/Maintenance:
  - a. Snowstorms: Roadways kept clear and clean. One sidewalk machine went down so the other ran constantly. Contractors called in to work.
  - b. Holiday Light contest parade: two trucks were decorated and participated in the parade with the Friends of Historic Hopedale for the townwide holiday light decorating contest.
  - c. Garage door repaired on the last bay of the mechanic garage.
  - d. Leaf season was successful.
  - e. Adin Street project. A walk through needs to be held to evaluate what the Hopedale Highway Department can do to alleviate costs with the project. When do the Road Commissioners want to meet for that? January or February? Mitch Ruscitti and a Tighe and Bond representative should attend as well. Meeting will need to be posted and Mitch and Tighe & Bond contacted.

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- 4. Old Business (carried over from last meeting): none.
- 5. Other topics not reasonable anticipated by Chair 48 hours before meeting: none.
- 8. Motion made by George, second by Justin for adjournment. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 550pm.