

TOWN OF EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS  
MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD  
MINUTES

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Date: March 16, 2017  
Time: 9:00am  
Place: Town Hall  
Egremont

Present at the table were Chairman Flynn, Vice-Chairman Turner, Selectman Brazie, Also present were Tech Committee members Steve Rawlings, Jonathan Taylor, Marj Wexler, Jeff Lazarus, Mark Roggen, Yury Seagull, and Water Rubenstein, Chris Lynch, Eileen Vining, George and Mary McGurn, Adam Chait, Terry Cowgill(Berkshire Record).

This meeting is audio and visually recorded.

The Board voted to approve two more site visits by Stockman Associates at the Mount Washington Road bridge at an approximate cost of \$1000.

At 9:03am the Board held a conference call discussion with Marc Levasseur and John Lander of Foresight Engineering regarding the Mount Washington Road bridge. The culvert has been pulled, the space between the old and new abutments has been filled, water is flowing under the bridge deck, rip rapping has been put in with some touch up needed, backfill has been started on the west side of the bridge for the subdrain, approach slabs were delivered on Monday, gravel to the grade has to be installed. All work in the brook is completed. Final reporting is going to be made to the Army Corps of Engineers. We may only need one more site visit by Stockman Associates. Davenport is returning to work on Monday. The black top plant opens the first of April. Davenport says he can have the bridge blacktopped and opened by the second week of April. Mr. Lander is not approving the latest payment application and is negotiating with Davenport.

The Board discussed with the Technology Committee moving forward on Broadband. Chairman Flynn confronted Chris Lynch of Matrix Design about Mr. Lynch's email to MBI in which he reported that Egremont would likely be moving forward with Fiber Connect so Mr. Lynch was not submitting a proposal for Egremont. The Tech Committee members reiterated their preferences which resulted in a verbal recommendation to the Board of 4 in favor of Charter, 2 for Fiber Connect and 1 for Matrix. After discussion in which several questions came up in regards to Charter's proposal and MBI's actions the Board voted to seek an extension from MBI and try to get clarification on MBI's actions in regards to Fiber Connect. The Technology Committee was asked to meet again to consider any new information that has been given and make a written recommendation to the Board with pros and cons for each option. This meeting will take place on March 22 at 4pm.

Office Administrator Brazie noted there were no new budget requests and she had failed to print new warrants for the Board. The two bylaw amendments from the Planning Board have been deleted from the warrant. The school budget certification has not been received yet. There were no petitions received for the warrant (this was later found out to be untrue as they were received and not passed on to the Office Administrator).

Meeting adjourned at 10:04am.

Mary Brazie,

Office Administrator

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