

Town of Swanzey, New Hampshire
Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting – July 21, 2016
West Swanzey Fire Station – 34 Main Street

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Kenneth P. Colby at 6:00 p.m. at 6:30 p.m. at the West Swanzey Fire Station. Present were Kenneth P. Colby, Jr., and Sylvester Karasinski. Also present was Town Administrator Michael Branley.

OTHERS PRESENT

Engineer Rob Hitchcock, DPW Director Lee Dunham, Ryan & Lyle Hoag from Pat Rawson Construction, Lena Whipple, Nancy Bishop, Richard & Valerie Robichaud, Regan Collette, Rita Lane, Aldene Fredenburg, Mike Delaney, Paul & Gertrude Haynes, Bill & Rachel Hays, Pete Johnson, Stratton Librarian Carol Haley, Kim Sevigny, Amanda Clark, Greg Corban, Rebecca Mitchell, Susan Karalekas, Mike Gomarlo, Marion Bedard, Terry Stepenuk, Ruth Kenville, and others unknown to the minute taker.

DISCUSSION

Colby introduced Branley, who stated that this project is going forward in August and the purpose of the meeting was to inform residents as to how it would impact them during construction.

Hitchcock gave a brief overview of the project and the plan. In general local traffic will be able to get through however there may be some delays. Thompson Covered Bridge will be closed on August 1. Use of a potential old road between Spring and Prospect Street was discussed. Branley stated a Department of Transportation Map he and Dunham reviewed seemed to indicate that it was a Class VI Road. He stated he and Dunham would look at it and see if it might be cost effective to improve it. The Board of Selectmen would have to designate it as an emergency lane. Susan Karalekas stated the construction will be a disruption to her business the Bridges Inn during peak season, she asked if the Town would consider stopping the chimes at Whitcomb Hall clock during construction. Colby stated the Board would take it under advisement. There were discussions about detours, the wall in front of Whitcomb Hall, tree removal, water supply to Whitcomb Hall for fire suppression, and other matters. No decisions were made by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Karasinski. The motion was seconded by Colby without further discussion. All were in favor. ***Motion passed.*** Adjournment occurred at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Branley, Town Administrator