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Town of Swanze, New Hampshire
Christian Hill Bridge Advisory Committee Meeting
March 26, 2016
West Swanze Fire Station, 34 Main Street, Swanze, NH

Present were Committee Members Town Administrator Michael Branley, DPW Director Lee Dunham, and Citizen Dan Lane.

Committee Member Fire Chief Norm Skantze absent

Chairman Dunham called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

MOTION: Branley moved to approve the February 26 minutes as drafted, seconded by Lane. All in favor.

Branley stated he spoke to Nancy Mayville at the Department of Transportation (DOT) regarding updating the 2008 bridge aid estimate. He submitted the request for an updated estimate and was told that it would likely take a few months.

Dunham stated he spoke to the Trails Bureau. The Rail Trail is owned by DOT so alterations need DOT and Trails Bureau approval. The requirement would be for a minimum of a 12' X 12' box culvert. There may be some grant funds through the Trails Bureau, although they are relatively small and depend on available funds.

Lane presented some sketches he had put together regarding existing conditions of the bridge and two potential options. The Committee reviewed the sketches and estimates for discussion purposes.

Dunham agreed to have further conversations with the State regarding how possible it would be to bring the bridge back to grade. A discussion was had regarding what Town funds could be used for this purpose.

Branley agreed to contact Hansen Bridge regarding a timber frame option.

Lane agreed to investigate a corrugated culvert option.

The Committee agreed to next meet 4/28 at 5:30 p.m. at the West Swanze Fire Station.

The Committee recessed the meeting to a site walk at the bridge site at 10:05 a.m.

The meeting resumed at the bridge site at 10:10 a.m. and the Committee reviewed the bridge and surrounding area. Requesting funding from the Sidewalk Committee was discussed for sidewalk expenses.

MOTION: Branley moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m., seconded by Dunham. All in favor.