

FINAL

CLASS VI ROADS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

Monday, September 2, 2021, 6:30 PM

City Council Chambers, City Hall

or Remote Via Webex

LebanonNH.gov/Live

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen Wood, Erling Heistad, Joan Monroe, Barbara Hirai

MEMBERS ABSENT: Marc Coleman, Colin Smith

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Goodwin (Planner/GIS Coordinator)

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Stephen Wood called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM

The WebEx streaming software was activated, but there were technical difficulties with the audio component. The recording secretary Barbara Higgins, as well as C6 member Colin Smith, and City Attorney Matt Decker were all logged into the live WebEx meeting but with the audio difficulties opted to sign out after a short period of time. The meeting continued with Planner Goodwin monitoring for anyone else joining but no one else joined the meeting for the remainder of the night.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 15, 2021

Mr. Heistad MOVED to approve the July 15, 2021, Minutes as presented in the September 2nd, 2021 agenda packet. Seconded by Ms. Monroe. The vote was unanimous with all 4 in favor.

3. STUDY ITEMS:

A. Review and Discussion of the Class VI Road Connecting Kings Highway and Poverty Lane (#42) (previously distributed)-

The C6 Committee proceeded to take up the next agenda item, a discussion of road #42. The Agan's, residence of 33 Poverty Lane, were in attendance and participated in the discussion. Staff Liaison Goodwin provided a summary overview describing the charge of the committee, the difference between public right-of-way classifications, and the historical information that had been collected associated with road #42. Members Wood and Heistad discussed the value to the community in keeping public rights-of-way, as well as the rationale that a right-of-way such as #42 would likely be more appropriately categorized as a Class A Trail, as opposed to a Class 6 road, including further articulating the difference between the two. The Agan's expressed concern that a public right-of-way located in such close proximity to their house could impose an adverse impact, including interfering with activities they currently engage in, as well as conflicting with the private property rights they believed they acquired when they purchased the property. They also expressed some concern as to the accuracy of the alleged roadway course as the magnetic compass bearings are subject to change over time.

Members of the Committee reviewed the map graphic included as part of the agenda packet and inquired as to whether the Agan's had received this. They stated that it was not included in the abutter notification they received. Planner Goodwin conveyed that it was intended to be included but must have been omitted

as part of the mailing process. He further pointed out that the same material was included in the noticed agenda material packet and available to all. Chair Wood and others expressed concern as to the discussion continuing in the absence of the map having been included in the abutter notice, **with Chair Wood making a motion to continue the discussion to the next regularly scheduled meeting, seconded by Erling Heistad, with all voting in favor.**

4. OTHER BUSINESS: None

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

There was a brief discussion regarding future agenda items, including verifying that roads #44 and #46 will be reviewed once the C6 Committee has completed the review and generated a recommendation for road #42. Joan Monroe inquired as to the status of the Old Horse Road, located on the Alana Cole Conservation Property. Planner Goodwin conveyed he was pretty sure that it has been reviewed and discontinued as it received protection by simply being on a City owned parcel that was permanently protected by a conservation easement.

6. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: None

7. ADJOURNMENT:

***A MOTION was made by Mr. Heistad to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 PM.
The MOTION was seconded by Ms. Hirai, with all voting in favor.***

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Goodwin
C6 Staff Liaison