

FINAL

**CLASS VI ROADS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
Remote via Microsoft Teams
LebanonNH.gov/Live
Thursday, November, 4th, 2021
6:30 PM**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Marc Coleman

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Goodwin (GIS Coordinator)

1. CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Colin Smith called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

3. STUDY ITEMS:

A. Review and Discussion of Historic Rd. #27-Bakers Lane:

Chair Wood recused himself from this study item.

Vice-Chair Smith led the discussion. Mr. Goodwin gave a brief background on Bakers Lane. He said on July 10th, 2014, the Class VI Roads Committee, at that time, made a standard motion to convert the Class VI Road to a Class A Trail.

On January 7, 2021, the current Class VI Roads Committee reviewed Bakers Lane and included Bob Townsend, an abutter, in the conversation. At the conclusion of that conversation there was support for the previous motion but was never finalized.

Chair Wood said he spoke to Bob Townsend on this day, and Mr. Townsend indicated that he and Carolina acknowledged that Bakers Lane was a public road. Mr. Townsend would prefer wheeled vehicles be excluded on the road. Mr. Wood said that there was a lot of erosion on that road from wheeled vehicles when it was wet. Mr. Townsend did say that if bicycles wanted to use the road when it was dry then he was OK with that. He also said that he would like to see it become a Class A Trail.

Discussion about the Road took place between the committee members.

Mr. Heistad *MOVED* that the Class VI Roads Advisory Committee recommend to the Lebanon City Council that they reclassify Class VI Road #27 (Baker Lane extending south to north from Cross Road to Storrs Hill Rd) to a Class A Municipal Trail as defined in RSA 231-A:1(I) and as shown on the City of Lebanon Draft Class VI Roads map printed June, 2013 subject to the following public trail use restrictions: Means of travel shall be restricted to horse, foot, ski and snowshoes, and snowmobiles when snow cover is adequate. Motor vehicles, wheeled vehicles, and off-highway recreational vehicles other than snowmobiles, shall be prohibited, subject, however to vehicular

uses of abutting landowners for access to existing uses of land as set forth in RSA 231-A:1(I). The Public Works Director shall cause to be posted legible signs at the entrance to the trail describing the restrictions contained herein, as provided by RSA 231-A:4.

Seconded by Ms. Monroe.

Discussion on the Motion was had among the Committee members.

Roll Call Vote:

Erling Heistad, Barbara Hirai, Joan Monroe, and Colin Smith all voting Yea.

None voted Nay.

Recused: Mr. Stephen Wood

**** The Vote on the MOTION was approved (4-0). Mr. Wood was recused from this vote.***

Mr. Stephen Wood returned as a regular member for this meeting.

4. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. Review of 2022 Meeting Calendar: Mr. Goodwin asked if anyone wanted to meet any other night besides the first and third Thursday meeting of the month. He said if they did then they would need to discuss the 2022 meeting calendar.

Discussion turned to wording on road signage and when to work on it as a committee.

The committee also spoke of possibly taking back up Class VI Roads that they had previously looked at to see if they should recommend some of those roads be re-classified as a Class A Trail.

It was decided that the Class VI Roads committee would take a break until February 2022.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None

6. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: None

7. ADJOURNMENT:

A MOTION was made by Mr. Wood to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 PM.

The MOTION was seconded by Ms. Heistad.

Roll Call Vote:

Erling Heistad, Barbara Hirai, Joan Monroe, Stephen Wood, and Colin Smith all voting Yea.

None voted Nay.

**** The Vote on the MOTION was approved (5-0)***

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Higgins

Recording Secretary