

Approved

Town of Randolph
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

MINUTES OF MEETING January 13, 2025

Members Present: Rick Fournier, Michele Cormier, & Paul Jadis

Bob Ross Jr., Bill Demers, and Michael Cote

Linda Dupont

The meeting began at 6:00 pm

Vouchers were reviewed and signed.

Bob Ross commended Road Agent Paul Kenison for clearing the sand built up in the ditch at the culvert by his house. He stated it had not been done in years.

He had concerns about the ditching done 8 to 10 feet onto his property, he stated that no one approached him about doing this prior to it being done and he feels it will not resolve the issue of water backing up.

Highwater causes the ditch to fill and overflow onto the road. Bob stated the culvert was not placed correctly. It is now sinking causing a divot in the roadway causing trucks with trailers driving over it to bounce and make load noises. Bob recommended replacing the existing culvert with a larger culvert, he stated this would correct the problems. He stated, that due to the extreme timber cut from Broadacres, when heavy rains occur, the culvert can not handle the extreme amount of water flow, causing the water to back up into his basement.

Bob expressed his concerns regarding the Road Agent ditching within his property without consulting him first, creating a ditch that he cannot mow, and also destroying flowers planted by his wife. Bob also pointed out that he has not been able to mow that area in the past due to the area being extremely wet. He also noted that the area remains extremely wet up until July.

Rick Fournier explained that anchor ice was forming stopping the flow of water from reaching the culvert, the water then flowed onto the road at the corner of Durand East and froze over the road.

Bob stated in his opinion this action will cause future erosion in that area. He requested that the area be put back to its original state.

Michele Cormier suggested that all parties meet and review the area for solutions, preferably in the Spring when the area is free of snow.

Rick Fournier stated this would be replaced in kind.

Michael Cote came before the Board to request further help with his submission to the BTLA regarding the Land Use Change Tax abatement request. He is requesting the board write a letter stating he was given the incorrect form to file with the BTLA. Linda Dupont presented the board with the letter from the BTLA disallowing Michael Cote's 2nd request. Michele Cormier will call the BTLA for clarification.

The Town received the recommendation from Avitar regarding Linda Kovalik's abatement request. The board wishes to get clarification from Avitar before deciding on this. Paul Jadis will contact Avitar.

The board signed two Solar Exemptions, signed a letter to Carrie Freitag regarding set backs, reviewed road projects for 2025, and timelines for large projects, and created a committee to review the needs of the Ravine Dams and repairs.

The Board reviewed times to review the 2025 annual budget this upcoming week.

Randolph Board of Selectmen

Michele Cormier, Chair

Richard Fournier, Selectmen

Paul A. Jadis, Selectmen

Linda Dupont, Assistant to the Selectmen