

TOWN OF EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD
MINUTES

Date: May 10, 2023
Time: 10:00 AM
Place: Town Hall
Egremont

Present at the meeting in person were Selectboard Chairman George McGurn, Vice-Chair Lucinda Fenn-Vermeulen, Board member Mary Brazie, Road Superintendent James Noe, Police Chief Jason LaForest, Fire Chief Joe Schneider, MassDOT Officials Darin Aitken, Bryce Whalen, David Reynolds; J.H. Maxymillian company Tony Simonelli, Wayne McCanley, and Kyle Palen.

The Board was informed that the culvert replacement on Main Street needed two additional days. Work will start on July 10 at 7am and continue around the clock through 4:30pm on July 14. Route 23 will be closed during this time frame. Traffic will be rerouted using Route 71 and Creamery Road. The utilities have been moved in the area and a diversion pipe will be installed for water flow during construction. The area will remain one lane until the culvert is replaced. The work will not be postponed barring hurricane rains. The corner of Route 71 and Creamery is going to be widened to accommodate trailer trucks. There will be an officer at the intersection during day time hours.

The light at the culvert area for one way traffic has been adjusted. Fire Chief Schneider noted that recently during an emergency response the receptor didn't work going westbound. MassDOT officials will check this out.

Power will be cut off to the School House on Friday, May 12. Work in that area is dusty and loud due to the ledge. The school was going to temporarily move students to the Sheffield campus.

It was confirmed that the current National Grid lights will be removed when the new lighting system is put in place.

The odd placement of the hydrants in the sidewalks was discussed. The cost to move them behind the sidewalks is about \$10,000. The Town will have to pay for additional costs for 7 of the 10 hydrants if the location is changed. Though they will not interfere with walkers or handicapped accessibility, they would interfere with snow removal. The Board will decide at its next meeting if it wishes the hydrant locations changed.

The color of the sidewalk material needs to be chosen from two different shades of grey that have very little difference. Samples will be dropped off for the Board to look at.

It was confirmed that there will be 5' bike lanes on both sides of the roadway.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35am.

Mary Brazie,
Office Administrator

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