

MIDDLEFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Middlefield Town Hall

5/03/2010

Present: Robert Gazda, Noreen Suriner, Larry Pease

Others: Sherry Venditti, Skip Savery, Ron Radwich, Matt Radwich, Terry Walker, Marge Batorski, Skip Savery, Joe Kearns, Maureen Sullivan, Mary Cuccinello, Gary Wheeler, John Richardson, Mary Richardson, Wally Smith, Laurie Lafreniere, Tim Parker, Maureen Parker.

- Meeting officially began 7:40 p.m.
- The Board of Selectmen held a Public hearing to propose safety improvements by way of a grant to repair Chester Rd. from Skyline Trail to Chester town line. The purpose was to provide the public an opportunity to become acquainted with the proposal and construction in safety improvement project. All views and comments made at the hearing will be reviewed and considered. The function of the project will be to acquire from the small town road assistant grant. The grant will be written in the amount of \$500,000. The main purpose of the improvement is to enhance the safety and improve visibility. The proposed improvements are to construct and resurface a section of Chester Rd. from the Chester town line to Skyline Trail, which is approx. 1.8 miles. The road will be upgraded, some ledge removed; new culverts; new catch basins will be installed. Ditches will be cleaned and repaired for proper drainage. The road will be re-graded and will also be brought up to proper grade. This will be followed by asphalt and top coated. The process will be completed with the painting of central yellow lines and installation of guard rails. All work of this project will be performed in the existing right-of-way, all abutters will be notified by certified mail.
- This is a competitive grant. Initial investment required for completion of grant, will be between \$3,000 & \$4,000. Discussion of condition of road ensued; work needed to repair them. Questions about project were answered.
- The town received score points for completion of the Commonwealth Capital Plan. Results are positive for the award.
- Letters of support from the taxpayers for project will help. Letters should be addressed to the Office of Transportation and Construction, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, Ma. 02116. Director is William Palmer. Deadline is June 30th, '10. These letters should be sent to P.O Box 238, and will be included in grant application. Letters to our Senators and Representatives will also help.

- Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by Suzanne C. Lemieux

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