

Tamworth Road Committee

Draft Minutes – April 5, 2017

Draft minutes to be reviewed and approved at a subsequent meeting

Call to Order – Meeting came to order at 7:08 pm. Members present were Lori Gerard, Ron Remick, David Little, David Halpin, and Chris Conrod. Members absent: Bob Cottrell, Paul King and David Bowles.

Review Minutes – Minutes of 03/01/17 accepted as written.

General Business/Progress Reports – Chris has completed filling in the “Located?” columns in the town records spreadsheets, based on determinations recorded in minutes of the meetings, as well as coding them so they can be separated into “known” and “unknown” categories and adding possible useful information in the “Remarks” column. He has also begun compiling an alphabetical list of all names of people mentioned in undetermined actions, along with lists of all other names mentioned in the town road action records because they can be useful in locating some of the unknown layouts/discontinuances. The lists are presently complete up to the year 1845.

Review Determinations & Add Justifications –

1777-09-13-00: Location of B. Jewell well documented (Harkness, Narrative & Fish Basket). First section of layout plot (from Jewell to Meadow Brook) fits reasonably well. From Meadow Brook south it follows dashed road and Rte 113 to town line as shown on 1930 USGS topo. From Sandwich town line to Route 25, exact location can not be determined. Appears to be 16.5' rod.

1777-09-20-00: This is a layout of something approximating Rte 25 from Sandwich line to the Curve Line at Ossipee. Using distances from Cold River to points west and east, distances seem to fit well with an 18' rod. David L. will re-plot at that scale and try to fit in the “by the river” sections.

1778-01-24-00: From Bradbury Jewell's to a point just west of the original town meeting house location, the plot seems to fit well with a 16.5' rod. The one exception is a 90 degree turn on the southwest side of the Mill Brook crossing. Beyond the meeting house (continuing east and south), there are too many piecemeal sections to determine the fit although it appears to generally follow a course approximating Hollow Hill Road and then due south somewhere east of the present Rte 113. possibly meeting the Bearcamp somewhere near the Bryant homestead.

Agreed to bring the mylar, rangeline map, a tax map overlay, scales, calculators, historical book references (e.g. If Walls Could Speak) to next meeting.

Next meeting – Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 7 pm at the Town Offices.

Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm.

Submitted by Chris Conrod, Road Committee Secretary