

FINAL

**CLASS VI ROADS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
Remote via Microsoft Teams
LebanonNH.gov/Live
Thursday, September 17th, 2020
6:30 PM**

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Goodwin (GIS Coordinator)

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Stephen Wood called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM

- Mr. Mark Goodwin reviewed the meeting procedures for remote meetings and NH RSA 91-A “Right to Know” requirements. A Roll Call of Commission Members who participated remotely are listed above.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

3. STUDY ITEMS: BARDEN HILL ROAD REVIEW AND DISCUSS

A. Barden Hill Photos

Mr. Goodwin read 3 letters into the record that he received for the Class VI Roads Advisory Committee. The first letter was written by Mr. Walter Muzzy from Croydon, NH. He remembered sledding around the area as a young boy. He also remembered that the Road in question was created by Ira Herrin in the 1980s for the snowmobile club to make it easier to get to Exit 16 where the gas station and Burger King were.

The second letter was from Ms. Cheryl Patch (Lee, NH), whose parents are Richard and Connie Patch (Flanders) who currently live in Lebanon, NH. Ms. Cheryl Patch remembered riding horses in the 1970s on trails around her home on LaPlante Road. She had a best friend that lived off Exit 16 and she wrote that there was no Class VI road between Exit 16 and her home on LaPlante Road.

The third letter was written by Mr. Forest Cole who lives on Great Brook Road in Lebanon, NH. In the 1970s, Mr. Carl Adams, who owned the property that the Patch Family now owns, tried to interest Mr. Cole and his father, Mr. Steven Cole, into purchasing the property. The Coles would develop property into building lots and then into homes including streets that would be built and then maintained by the City. They walked the property several times and viewed the maps of the property. While doing their research on the property they found Barden Hill Road to run from Route 120 to the foundation of the Barden Homestead but could not find any evidence of the Road heading East from the foundation to Interstate 89 and Exit 16.

Mr. Ron Bailey described 4 photos he took of the Road in question back in 2000. No questions were asked of Mr. Bailey of the photos from the Committee or the Public.

Ms. Hirai asked if there was a record of the property description of Mr. Carl Adam's property. The answer was that if there was one none had been found yet. Discussion continued among the members on where exactly the Road in question ran from the Barden Homestead foundation toward Exit 16.

Comments were opened to the Public. Mr. Josh Patch spoke about the Road being discontinued from the Kimball's pin down to Stoney Brook Road back in the 1830s. Back at the beginning of the 1800s the Road was shown on the Tolbert map but by the 1860s it was taken off the map. More discussion was had on the route of the Road and whether it had been discontinued previously in the 1800s.

Mr. Heistad *MOVED* that the Class VI Roads Advisory Committee recommend to the City Council that Barden Hill Road from the intersection with Downer Road, Easterly over the top of the hill to the Methodist Hill Road near Exit 16, be a Class A Trail.

Seconded by Ms. Monroe.

Mr. Heistad spoke to his motion. Discussion was had on the motion between the members of the Committee. Ms. Monroe asked if the Committee could recommend the Road to be a Class A Trail before the Committee had decided if it was a Road or Not? Chair Wood said that yes, it could all be contained in the one motion. Mr. Goodwin showed a survey plan created in 1980. Conversation took place about a stone wall that is depicted on the survey.

Mr. Heistad *MOVED* to extend the meeting by 15 minutes.

Seconded by Ms. Monroe.

Roll Call Vote:

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

None voted Nay.

**** The Vote on the MOTION passed (6-0).***

Discussion continued among the Committee members on the Motion for Barden Hill Road. Mr. Coleman asked why the Motion was citing a Class A Trail and not a Class B or Class VI Road? Chair Wood explained the different criteria for the Roads and Trail. Mr. Heistad said that he made the Motion for a Class A Trail because he thought it would give the Patches more control and protection for the land and how it would be used. A vote took place on the Motion on Barden Hill Road.

Roll Call Vote:

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

None voted Nay.

**** The Vote on the MOTION passed (6-0).***

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Road #19 (Durkee Road): Review and discussion, including resident recommendation to discontinue.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

***A MOTION was made by Ms. Monroe to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 PM.
The MOTION was seconded by Mr. Smith.***

Roll Call Vote:

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

None voted Nay.

**** The Vote on the MOTION was approved (6-0).***

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Higgins
Recording Secretary