

Minutes of January 12, 2010

Warren Selectboard

Warren Municipal Building

7:00 PM

Members Present: Ken Frey, Andy Cunningham, Chair, Matt Groom, Kirstin Reilly.

Others Present: TV 44/45 (Bobby), Barry Simpson, Mac Rood, Alice Olenick, Cindi Jones.

7:05 PM – Meeting called to order by Mr. Cunningham.

7:07 PM – Button Property Easement – Alice Olenick – Ms. Olenick asked the board to look at the easement document that prepared by the Town's lawyer, Glenn Howland, requesting specific language so that the applicant could maintain the barn and repair the barn as it is existing currently. The applicant would not be able to remove the existing retaining wall. Ms. Reilly inquired if it should stipulate erosion control measures and that the land be returned back to its original state. Ms. Olenick responded by saying that the applicant would have to obtain a Work Access Permit from the Town before doing any work. At that time, the permit would state any conditions that the town would want.

Motion by Mr. Frey to approve and authorize the Town Agent, to sign the easement, second by Ms. Reilly. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

7:10 PM – Mad River Path Request for Letter of Support to build a foot Bridge over Clay Brook that would adjoin to River Side Park.

Mr. Rood updated the board that the MRPA had negotiated with the owner of the Golden Lion whereby he would give the Path a permanent easement in return for the MRPA financing and building a bridge over Clay Brook connecting to Riverside Park within the next year. The Path Association is applying for a grant through the Parks and Recreation to finance the project. The Path Association would be responsible for paying and applying for the permits necessary for this project. The Town would have to be a co-applicant on the application as the foot bridge would connect to the Riverside Park Property owned by the Town of Warren. Ms. Jones inquired if the Path had talked with the ANR about the proposal. Mr. Rood commented that they have been working with the ANR and Patrick Ross regarding this project. Mr. Cunningham commented that the Warren Selectboard would sign the letter of support for the project and appreciated the efforts made by the Path Association toward completion of this public asset. Mr. Frey inquired about knotweed removal if necessary when the construction was beginning along the Clay Brook. Mr. Rood commented that at this time nothing has been talked about concerning knotweed. Mr. Groom inquired about flooding stage of the project. Mr. Rood indicated that it would be out of the floodway and that they want to try to work a deal with the adjoining landowner (Murphy) to move the bridge down a bit farther out of the Flood Stage. The project cost including help from the VT Youth Core would be about \$19,000.

Motion by Mr. Cunningham to sign the letter of support for the grant being applied for by the Mad River Path Association, second by Mr. Groom. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

7:20 PM – Approval of Minutes for January 5, 2010. – Motion by Mr. Frey to approve the Minutes of January 5, 2010, second by Mr. Groom. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

7:25 PM – Gravel Proposal from E.A. Grandfield – The Warren Selectboard received a letter from E.A. Grandfield about buying 5000 yards of gravel. Mr. Cunningham wanted to talk to Mr. Weston, road foreman, first to see if the Town would need all 5,000 yards. Mr. Simpson indicated that there was about 7200 yards at the site crushed and ready to go. E.A. Grandfield wanted to have ½ the cost of the gravel to be paid in January and ½ in June. The cost per yard would be \$14.00 and is presently stored in the Bobbin Mills Pit located off the Lincoln Gap Road. Mr. Frey asked about the possibility of a discount for buying early? Mr. Cunningham would call Mr. Martin, General Manager, and discuss the possibility and would like to defer until next meeting.

7:30PM – Budget Continuation – Discussion on the Capital Budget was continued and all items were discussed. The Board wanted to extend out the Capital Purchase Request of the Highway Equipment to 2021. Mr. Cunningham inquired if the purchase price included trade in value. Mr. Simpson responded that it was not factored into the equations. The Board did not want to heavily front load the full cost of the \$268,000 on to the first year. Mr. Frey commented that if the equations were stretched out until 2021 that the board would consider a partially funding the cost throughout the years. The allocation could be \$168,000 for the next few years and would show the voters that a plan was in place for proper budgeting of capital highway purchases. Mr. Frey inquired if the fire department had completed analysis similar to the one that Mr. Simpson has prepared for highway department. Ms. Jones indicated that she had sent over one similar to the highway for their use. Mr. Cunningham commented that he was satisfied and confident that he could defend the budget that would be presented to the voters in March.

8:30 PM – Letter to add Articles to Warning from David Sellers – The board was presented two letters from Mr. Sellers in regard to adding to the articles at Town Meeting. The first one talked about was: "Shall the voters of the Town of Warren agree to discontinue the use of Australian ballot for the Town Officers? – The board was not inclined to approve this as an article as it would not represent a large group of people that could not get to Town Meeting to Vote. The Australian ballot offers a lot more opportunity for the public to have a chance to vote. The board agreed that Mr. Sellers would have petitioned the voters to have this put on the Town Meeting Warning.

The second article that was declined was: "Shall the voters of the Town of Warren join with the City of Portland, OR in signing the international climate change agreement? The Warren board declined putting this on the Town Meeting Warning as there was no background information on what this agreement was really about. Ms. Jones would notify Mr. Sellers that he would need to petition the voters to have this included in the Town Meeting Warning.

8:40 PM – Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a public health issue and invite Ms. Jones and Mr. Simpson, second by Mr. Groom. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

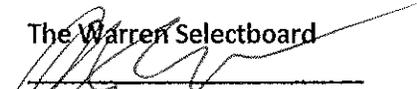
9:00 PM – Motion by Mr. Groom to come out of Executive Session, second by Ms. Reilly. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

9:02 PM – Other Business: The board would be cancelling the January 19, 2010 meeting due to not enough members. Next Selectboard Meeting would be January 26th, 2010.

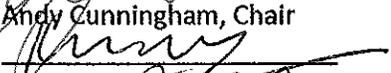
9:05 PM – Motion by Mr. Frey to adjourn, second by Mr. Groom. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,
Cindi Jones, Warren Town Administrator

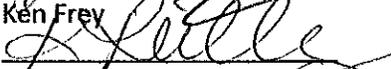
The Warren Selectboard



Andy Cunningham, Chair



Ken Frey



Kirstin Reilly



Matt Groom

Agenda
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Tuesday, January 12, 2010
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7:00 PM – Button Property – Alice Olenick

7:15 PM – Mad River Path Request for Support to Build a Bridge over Clay Brook –
Mac Rood

7:30 PM – Approval of Minutes for January 5, 2010

7:35 PM -Budget Continuation

9:30 PM – Other Business

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January 12, 2010

Sherry Winnie, RTP Administrator
Vermont Department of Forest, Parks & Recreation
103 South Main Street, Building 9 South
Waterbury, VT 05671-0601

RE: Mad River Path -- Riverside Park Footbridge
Dear Ms. Winnie,

The Warren Selectboard would like to offer our support for the Mad River Path Association in its effort to secure funding through a grant from the Vermont Recreation Trails Program for a footbridge across Clay Brook.

This project and the associated permanent easement across the Golden Lion Inn property will provide a crucial link between the Town's Riverside Park and the Kingsbury Bridge underpass, which will be part of the planned new bridge across the Mad River.

The Mad River Path project as a whole and this project in particular are in keeping with long-standing Town and regional plans to link the Warren Elementary School and the Waitsfield Elementary School with a safe non-motorized path for general public use.

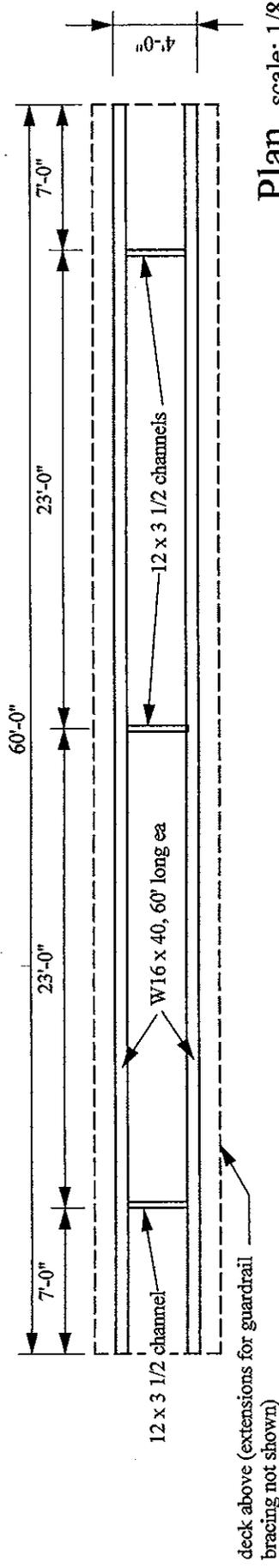
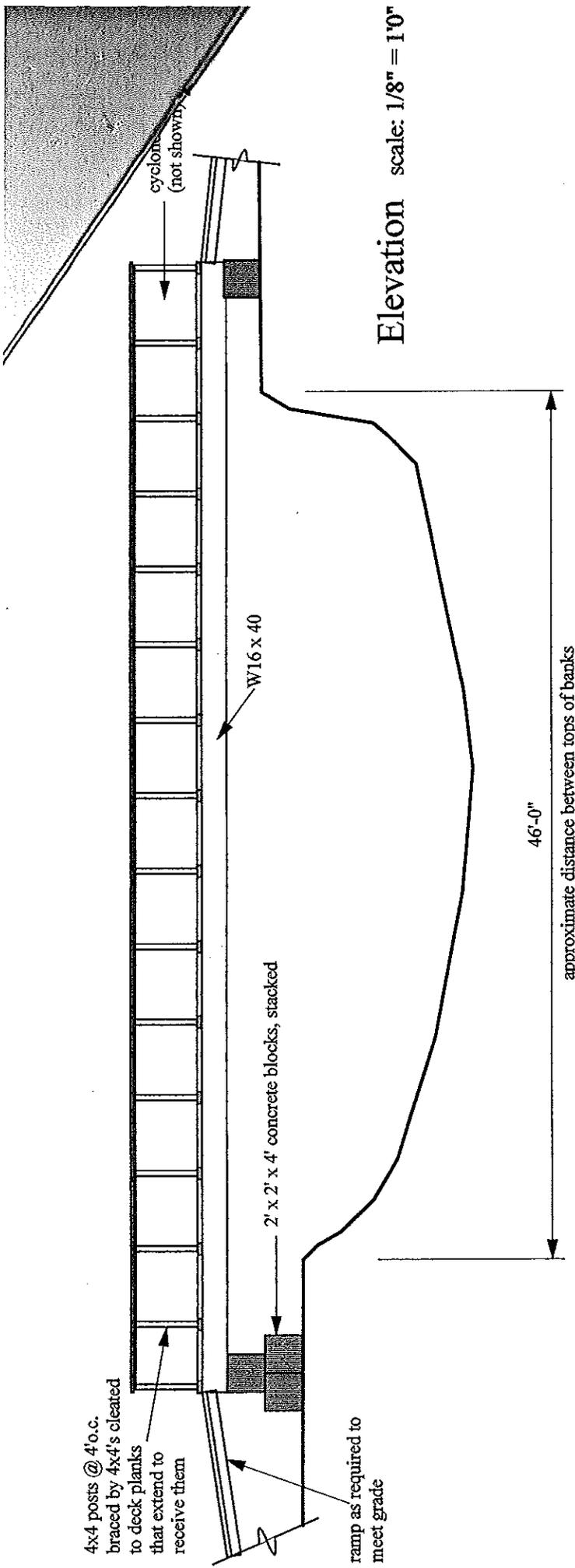
The Selectboard appreciates the efforts made by the Mad River Path Association toward completion of this public asset and look forward to our ongoing collaboration.

Sincerely,

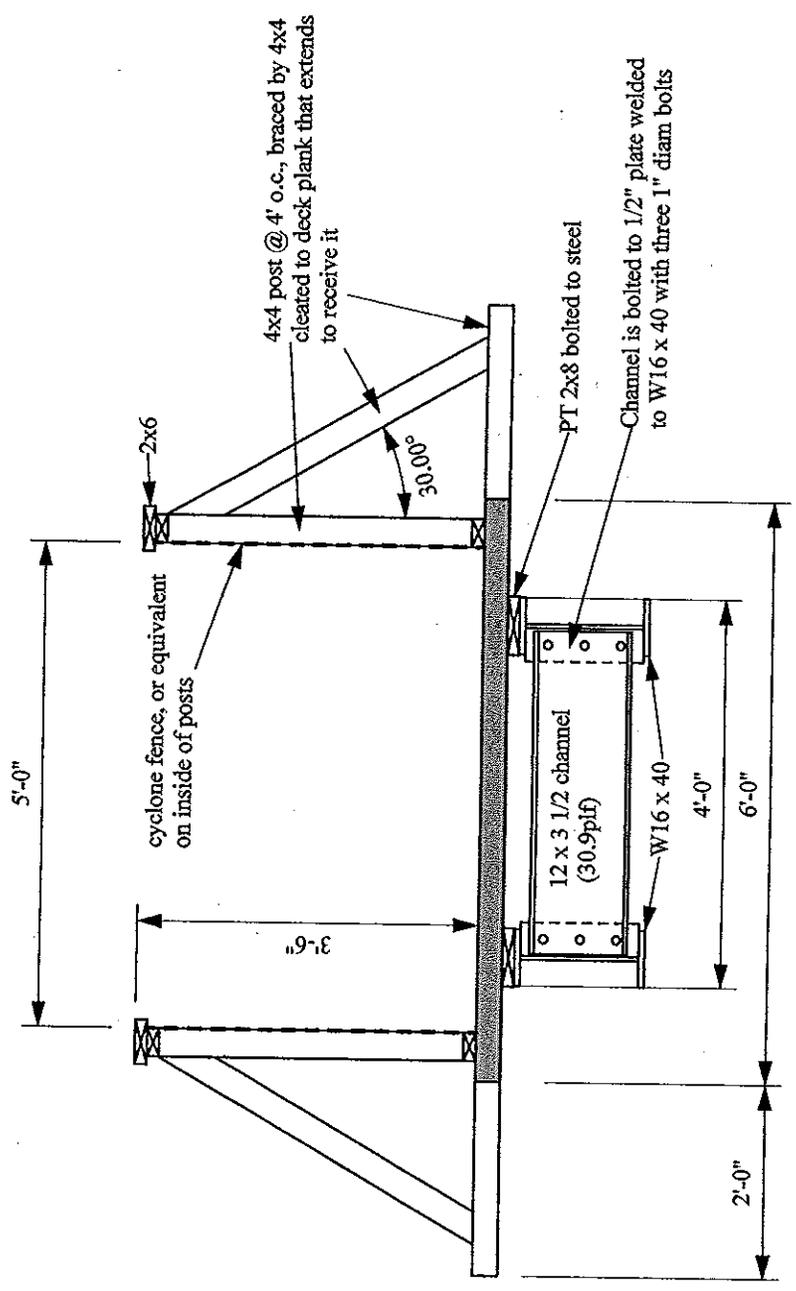

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Clay Brook footbridge
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