

The Board of Selectmen Facilities and Public Safety Subcommittee held a meeting on June 10, 2014 at the Notch Road Municipal Center. Present were: First Selectman Robert Morra; Selectmen Robert Neil, Sandra Pierog and Gwen Marrion; Highway Supervisor Lance Dimock; Buildings and Grounds Supervisor John Butrymovich; resident Peter Samson; Fire Chief Bruce Dixon; Fire Marshal Ray Walker; and Administrative Officer Joyce Stille.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting began at 7:00 P.M.

**2. DISCUSSION ON SAND/SALT WINTER OPERATIONS**

Mr. Samson had conducted his own survey on sand/salt winter operations by various towns (results attached). He reviewed his results with the group. Nine out of 17 communities responded. Mr. Samson desires the Town of Bolton consider switching from using a sand and salt mixture. Mr. Morra shared information from legislative hearings about use of only salt and salt like materials including equipment and vehicles deteriorating twice as fast; balancing of capital costs versus equipment costs; pollution properties of salt being unknown; and public safety is first concern. For hills, DOT has moved back to sand. When re-freezing occurs, sand is bumpy, providing traction while salted roads turn glassy. Mr. Morra noted that Towns responding to the survey also have double the staff of Bolton.

On behalf of the subcommittee, Mr. Morra thanked Mr. Samson for his time and efforts.

**3. DISCUSSION OF FIRE PROTECTION WATER SOURCES**

Chief Dixon and Fire Marshal Walker reviewed with the group a list of possible water supply sites for firefighting. The sites with comments are as follows:

1. Bayberry Pond – unsure if viable, Mr. Morra to investigate alternatives on Brandy/Bolton Center Road
2. Johnson Pond – dry hydrant proposed
3. 890 Boston Turnpike – access would need to be determined
4. French Road near Camp Meeting Road – ownership needs to be resolved
5. West Street and Loomis Road – too shallow
6. BurnapBrook Road – need to review

The next step will be to visit the sites and determine what sites can easily become viable sites.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting ended at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce M. Stille  
Administrative Officer

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