

**Bonding Committee Special Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, January 12, 2017**  
**7:00 pm – Town Hall Meeting Room**

1. **Call to Order** – The January 12, 2017 meeting of the Bonding Committee was called to order by First Selectman Jim Hayden at 7:02 pm. Attending: Bob Ravens-Seger; John Ziobro; Jim Velleman; Jim Hayden; Mike Paulus; Rick Granger; Mark Porter (arrived 7:03). Absent: Tim Butler
2. **Correspondence** – None
3. **Minutes** – Rick Granger made a motion to accept the December 19, 2016 minutes as presented. Seconded by Bob Ravens Seger. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**
4. **Discussion of Goals, Scope, Approach:**
  - a. **Sub-Committees** – There was a discussion of whether sub-committees were needed to research General Government needs, School Projects and Financial options. It was decided not to break into sub-committees and deal with these items as a “committee of the whole”. The overall committee will vet the numbers and evaluate the urgency of the potential work. The committee consensus was that if a bonding project goes forward on roofs and roads that these items be removed from 5-Year Capital Plan.
  - b. **Report Format** - No decisions were made at this time. There was a discussion that the committee research how towns with a “Standing Building Committee” operate and evaluate to see if that is something East Granby should do.
5. **Project Information:**
  - a. **Road Replacement Report** – A road condition spreadsheet was reviewed. Jim Velleman will update costs on the report. First Selectman Hayden will have the DPW Supervisor update the condition information. There was a discussion of the anticipated life cycle of busy roads being ten years, using a chip seal program, and what are the road specifications at the present time (i.e. pulverizing, new base, depth of paving and process stone, cost per linear foot). As part of the road report update there will be a prioritization of roads by “poor / fair / good” delineating the square footage, a visual inspection of failed bases and drainage looking at high traffic/low traffic streets. This will develop an order of magnitude as the committee looks at a potential budget for rebuilding roads.
  - b. **Potential Projects** – The committee reviewed potential general government items (roads, roofs, town hall campus sidewalks, fire apparatus and ballfield development at East Granby Farms. The consensus was to concentrate on roads and roofs.

The school project list as prioritized by the Board of Education was: Allgrove and MS/HS roof, Allgrove power upgrade/ductless air-conditioning, Allgrove lower parking lot drainage/repaving, MS/HS HVAC Control Upgrade, HS Baseball Backstop/Netting, HS and Allgrove Emergency Generators. The committee discussed the projects and thought the Backstop project could be a capital item and the generators may not be something to be addressed by this bonding project. If HVAC controls were to be considered, the committee would like to see a cost savings analysis to see what dollars would be saved by electronic controls. Mark Porter said that he would distribute the 5-Year Capital Plan to the committee to see what current items are planned for by the BOE and BOS.

Estimates developed in 2016 for school roof replacements were reviewed along with a discussion of town roof replacements. A school roof project could be eligible for State reimbursement but in the current state budget environment it is unsure what the percent reimbursement would be. Total estimate for school roof replacement could be \$2.5 to \$3 million dollars with projected cost to the town in the \$1.5 million range. Selectman Ziobro mentioned that the BOE is beginning to look at efficiency report items such as regionalization and asked about the potential effect on Allgrove School? If the BOE and Town plans called for Allgrove to be vacant, would the committee want to redo the Allgrove Roof? First Selectman Hayden said that short of knocking down Allgrove in the future, the roof envelope may have to be addressed even if the school was “moth balled”. The initial thoughts from the committee was that roofs and paving were top priorities for all projects and Allgrove use as a school would need to be assessed by the BOE and Town.

6. **Discussion of Next Steps** – The Committee expects that continued research and refinement of information will help develop a path towards a consensus of projects to take to the town sometime in the fall.
7. **Meeting Schedule** – The next meeting will be at Town Hall on February 6, 2017 at 7:30 pm.
8. **Other Business** - None
9. **Adjourn** – Mark Porter made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 pm. Seconded by Jim Velleman. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**