

Town of Hartford  
Road Committee Meeting  
Approved Minutes  
September 24, 2025  
5:30pm@Hartford Town Hall

Present: Road Committee members Rick Gammon, David Theriault, Morrill Nason, Andrew Conant, Selectman Cathy Lowe, and Road Commissioner Bim McNeil.

- I. Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm.
- II. Members voted to approve the September 15, 2025 minutes.
- III. It was stated that the Road Commissioner agreed to give the old used town culverts to the ATV Club.
- IV. The main purpose of this meeting was to discuss the letter received from the Bear Pond Improvement Association (attached). This letter included statements by a retired State of Maine soil scientist. Cathy and Rick responded to the areas of concern then visited Chad Casey, a member of BPIA.  
Chad explained that the concern was from the culvert down stream toward Little Bear Pond at the corner of Berry Road and Jones Road. He also explained that the Corp. of Engineers were going to address problems in the brook and downstream. He was requesting that Town road funds be used to cut holes in the side of the road to allow water to drain to the ditch and pave (patch) the end of the culvert where it is washed out.  
Bim stated that the Town does not have any responsibility beyond the 25 foot right of way. Also, usually the COE asks the Town to be responsible for a portion of the cost. The members present wanted to know more about the Corps. plan and want to ask if Chad could come to the next meeting to answer questions.  
The Road Commissioner agreed to pave the end of culverts and cut side of road to allow water to flow off.  
While we were in the area Cathy showed Rick another area of concern. The lower portion of Bear Mtn. Road opposite the little cemetery. We talked to the land owner who gave the Town permission to install a rip rap swale and regrade the swale. The Road Commissioner agreed to get that done and install large stone and rip rap with geotextile liner on the upstream side of the culvert that was washed out.  
The Road Commissioner also stated that he has other work he planned to do at Berry Road and Jones Road and lower Bear Mtn. Road. Some of the repair will be paid by FEMA.  
We all feel that once Pratt Hill Road is paved all concerns expressed in the letter will be rectified.
- V. Both Rick and the Road Commissioner stated they responded to Ms. Lucas's complaint about holes in the road from log truck traffic just before her driveway at 903 Swan Pond Road. Neither Rick nor the Road Commissioner could find the holes. The Road Commissioner agreed to contact her.
- VI. The Committee voted and all agreed to pay for the maptec program and video equipment out of summer road maintenance fund. David agreed to take the lead and

get quotes for equipment. Morrill acknowledged that several other committees could use the program also.

- VII. Thanks were given to all present at this special meeting for attending. Meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

Minutes approved by:

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