

MINUTES
TOWN OF NEW GLARUS
Pioneer Road Informational Meeting
Town Hall – Swiss Miss Center 1101 Hwy 69 New Glarus
March 22, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDING: Board Members: Chris Narveson, Dean Streiff, Robert Elkins, and Pattie Salter. Susan Crum Jim Hoesly was absent.

ALSO ATTENDING: Tim Schleeper, Vierbicher; Chad Novak, Payne & Dolan; Al Hornung, Meise Construction; Mona Sue and Bill French; Barbara and Mario Mardones; Craig Klassy; David and Tami Woerpel; Arnold Stelter; Thomas and Betsy Penniston; Richard and Connie Woerpel; Dan and Marge Klassy; Chris and Brandi Bonde; Dennis and Mary Steinke; John and Beth Kennelly; Mark Peterson, Charles Severson, George Albright, Dale Hustad, Jenna Piche; Ron Rosselein, Pat and Susan Slattery; Dave and Pam Jennings

C. Narveson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

- 1) **Proof of Posting:** Clerk/Treasurer Salter attested to proper proof of posting.
- 2) **Reconstruction Project on Pioneer Road – Timeline and Scope of Project:**
 - a) Tim Schleeper from Vierbicher and Associates explained the scope of the project
 - b) Schedule – April Demolition
- 3) **Public Input:**

Barbara Mardones – Mail and Garbage will continue for the duration of the project.

Mona Sue French – Will curves be taken out? The road will remain in the same place – curves will be softened.

David Jennings – Asked if Fiber Optics would be laid. It was bid but the conduit package was not approved. TDS was not interested and Charter provided an estimate of \$25,000 to lay conduit

Dennis Steinke – Why not Titus to previous blacktop? That steep hill is on our radar. The Town has asked for a change order.

Arnie Stetler – How is the project being funded. Approximately half is paid from TRID funding the balance is being financed by the Town.

John Kennelly – Lives at the bottom of Blue Vista – The intersection will be done last. Miese noted that the resident

Mark Peterson – Access to Blue Vista during the first phase – The preference is for the resident to go west. 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. otherwise the roads will be open.

Betsy Penniston W5940 Pioneer – Are you widening the road? – Minimum 20’ width Shouldering will be where the width will be seen. She is concerned about her flower beds. Their plantings will remain. Will water runoff be considered? They get sand and debris in their culvert. Whatever goes in there now will be coming in there now. (Southside of Pioneer through the ditch line and over to O) After 100 feet it starts to go up hill. Tim will take a look at it.

John Kennelly asked about the speed limit. Speed limit for the project will be 35 MPH.

Arnie Stetler – Was concerned with his Black Walnut trees. Stumps will be removed. Tim will mark trees to be removed with a big orange x within the next week. Trees with marking ribbon will be left.

David Jennings – Detours to Madison – Dennis and Pattie will get detour maps on the website

Jenna Piche – Which hills will be cut down? – Mainly at the East end of the project. Near Troy Pauli’s minor cut, further down near Klassy Road will get lowered. The area near the Amish cemetery is the largest section of reduction. Advisory signs will be posted.

Brandi Bonde – Lives right next to the Amish Cemetery, they wanted to know how their property will be affected. They will be lowering the steepness of their driveway and will replace the shouldering.

John Kennelly – People going East Bound, will the “blind hill” be addressed. They will be softening the hill, widening, and peeling back some of the rock wall.

Dave Woerpel – Will there be any interruption in phone service. Some poles may need to be moved, but most telephone lines are buried.

Arnie Stetler – Culvert Replacement? The box culvert will not be replaced. Guardrails will be installed where there is a steep slope over 10-12’.

Pat Slattery – Cement Culvert does not go all the way through on the North side near the Klassy residence. Tim will look at that.

Mona Sue French – on the end of Klassy going to Pioneer there is a cliff that you cannot see. With the new signage and further sightlines it should be slightly improved.

Chris Narveson asked how the pavement will be done – They hope to get all the gravel together and do all the pavement down at the same time.

Dennis Steinke – 3 ½ weeks to do the East half. The plan is to pulverize the entire road, reconstruct the East side (possibly bind it) then reconstruct the West end. Blacktop should be all done at once.

Mona Sue French – Asked if there will be flag men on the project. – The road will be posted as local traffic only. Safety is the primary concern. If a flagger is needed they will use a flagger.

Chris Narveson asked how much the residents would be willing to pay more per month for faster internet. Most raised their hands to paying \$30 more per month. One resident was willing to pay \$100 month.

Pat Slattery is interested in getting involved in the utility committee.

Bill French – Point of sight system.

Chris Narveson also asked if the residence were interested in a moratorium on large developments and CAFO’s. Also pushing for a water study.

Pam Jennings asked how many residents were affected by the construction.

- 4) **Adjourn:** S. Crum moved to adjourn at 7:50. D. Streiff 2nd. Motion carried.