

MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF BARNES ROADS AND RIGHT OF WAY COMMITTEE
September 28, 2017

Present were Greg Martin, Tom Emerson, Mark Holm, Eric Altman and Don Dealing.

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM.

Motion by Tom/Greg to approve minutes of August 28, 2017. Passed.

A traffic counter has been ordered. We will use that to help prioritize the order in which maintenance on our roads will be done. In connection with this Eric and Greg met with a representative of Fahrner Asphalt and drove and tested our paved roads to determine what type of maintenance (such as crack sealing, flex patching, scrub seal and fog seal) needs to be done on the roads. We are now in a position to know which paved roads can be improved as above and which roads have to be pulverized and re-surfaced.

A discussion was held regarding the budget and maintenance requirements of our roads. We will get price estimates from Fahrner Asphalt and use those together with traffic counts. When we know our budget we can use this information to decide how the budget will be used and in what order maintenance will be done.

RECOMMENDATION to Town Board: Motion by Greg/Mark to increase the highway budget in addition to the gas tax proceeds to be a separate line item named "Town Road Improvement Program" for repairs to the town roads. The amount of this addition will be \$200,000.00 per year. Passed.

River Road Bridge: Eric advised that we have permits to do the job. The road crew will stabilize the shoulders and determine what needs to be done after that is complete.

Assignments were made to Greg, Tom, Mark and Don to drive the town roads and recommend sites where warning signs would be helpful to increase safety.

The issue of whether the speed limit on town roads should be reduced was tabled.

Next meeting will be October 16 at 9:00 AM at the Town Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Don Dealing, Chair