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Roadside Maintenance Task Force Meeting
7:00pm, Monday, September 15, 2014
3rd Floor Town Hall
Minutes

1.) Call to order and roll call

Present: Mike Bisceglia, Joanne Nych, Claudia White-Ryan, Mark Shadle, Tina Hurlbert

2.) Election of chairperson

- Mike Bisceglia

3.) Election of Secretary

- Tina Hurlbert

4.) Set meeting schedule; time, dates, locations

Next meeting will be September 29, 7pm, 3rd Floor Town Hall
Meeting after that will be scheduled at the 9/29 meeting

5.) Review of Charge and discussion

Questions for Public Works Durham & Rob Francis RSD13 -

Can we have MSDS sheets for what products used, what forms, who mixes, quantity, frequency?

Can we also have sheets for items they do not use but are within arsenal 'just in case'

How much RoundUP equivalent do you use?

What are the costs for roadside treatments presently? Products, materials, labor, equipment?

What do you do to 'treat' the lawns on Town Green and Allyn Brook Park?

How is this measured in acres? Square footage?

What are the Different Treatments from different Areas:

- Guard Rails
- Beautification programs - plant native species to take over invasives

What are the other issues that 'need' remediation besides Chip sealing/road resurfacing?

How often do these remediations take place - poison ivy - is there a schedule? As needed?

What are the fields being treated with K-8? High School?

MSDS sheets for schools - what do you use?

What company do the schools use for treatment?

Questions for Public Works Cheshire:

What does the town do for roadside maintenance? Is it different? The same?
Brands?

How do you remove poison ivy?

What do you do for roadside prep when you are resurfacing/resealing?

What is the cost of the items you use?

How much square footage/acreage is treated?

Who is your provider?

What are the roles/responsibilities of public works?

What is the effectiveness of alternatives to RoundUp? How many applications?

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Who spearheaded and got it through town council and board of ed?

6.) Old/new business

- Members will ask questions and gather information before the next meeting
- Mark will talk to the people in Branford
- Mark will email the Cheshire questions to Branford Public Works
- Tina will email Kurt list of questions, cc to Laura Francis
 - Claudia and Joanne will follow up with Kurt in person
- Tina will email Cheshire Public Works director list of questions and a request to attend our next meeting on 9/29
- Mike will email Rob Francis a list of questions, to cc Kathryn Veronesi
 - rfrancis@rsd13.org
 - kveronesi@rsd13.org
- When members get new information, forward it out to the group
- Claudia will speak with the representative from Ivy Clear (Poison Ivy removal)
- Table DEEP research until next time

7.) Public comment

None

8.) Adjourn

Charge: The Roadside Maintenance Task Force (RMTF) shall research safe, efficient and cost effective

methods of maintaining roadways, roadsides and town property that may minimize and/or eliminate

the use of hazardous chemicals. The RMTF shall report its findings to the Board of Selectmen at a

regularly scheduled meeting no later than November 10, 2014.