

## Civic Committee Monthly Meeting

December 4, 2018

**Attendance:** Al Marks, Carol Larson, Mick Fitzharis, Rick Smyth & Harold Kalmus

**Guest:** Ed Rohrbach

Al Marks, Civic Chairman, convened the meeting at 7:36 p.m. and approved the November 2018 Civic minutes as presented.

### **Roads**

#### Harvey Rd

Brooke has informed Civic that repairs and maintenance on the shoulder of Harvey Road (it is a county road) is the responsibility of Arden. Brooke had done extensive research to confirm this by looking up legal agreements to see if the Village had a maintenance contract with DelDot, in which case we do not. If we want a maintenance agreement with DelDot, we need to open that discussion up again. Al points out that there is a drainage problem along Harvey Road shoulder in several places and he believe it is the county's responsibility to correct it. One area is around Meadow Lane in front of Dewick's leasehold where there is a big hole that goes under the drain. It is very dangerous and a child could fall through. Al suggests that Safety Committee look into this matter.

#### Apple Lane & Walnut Lane

The new leaseholder of what used to be the Barish house (corner of Apple Lane & Walnut Lane) contacted Civic Committee to say that there is water running on their leasehold. Civic went out and took a look and they observed that their yard slopes towards their house. The concrete gutter ends at the adjacent leaseholder (Barbara Shippy's). The new owners do not have a concrete gutter and they believe if they had one that would solve their problem. Carol said if they install a concrete gutter that will direct the water to flow towards their side of their house. She believes it is better that the water runs across the property and seeps into ground as it has done for more than thirty years.

#### Pond Ln & Meadow Ln

Smith looked at drain at bottom of Pond Ln and Meadow Ln at the turn where the trash trucks keep on tearing up grates. Civic has replaced the grate several times but trucks keep on tearing up new grates. Since that was not working, Civic installed a pipe & cemented across the section where the trucks tire would cross the grate. The other part is grate to allow water to drain. Problem solved.

### Millers Rd

As you drive onto Millers Road from Marsh Road (Gary & David's side of Miller) the berm was very marshy as tire wheels keep running over it at the turn. Civic filled the marsh area with 3" rock. In addition, across from Miller on the creek side of Miller they put a bucket to allow water not to pocket on road. They are cutting it down so it can run off. Al wants to put some stone there to divert the water, slow it down and allow it to run off rather than erode the bank there. Still working on this.

Manhole on Sweep – Repaved the spot and installed an extension rim on manhole. By repaving and adding pavement, this extends the rim of the manhole to bring it up to level.

Water meter cap on Millers Road near the Milky Way path next to fire hydrant also installed an extension on rim of manhole.

### Woodland Rd

Part of Woodland Rd needs paving (starting at Mary Marconi's house down to speed bump in front of Threefoot/Politis house and part of Inn Lane) the road is cracking. Water collects and forms a puddle in front of speed bump. Planning to redirect water to woods.

Milky Way path needs poison ivy to be pulled.

### Apple Tree Lane

Rooney family, who recently moved to Apple Tree Lane, have expressed concern about the roots growing under the road in front of their house and are concerned about water runoff. Civic took a look and informed them about their policy for paving road is based on: 1) Condition of the road 2) How much the road is used. As far as the water runoff, Civic believes that might have something to do with a garage that was taken down from their leasehold and a cement pad remains that is directing the water runoff. Since they do not meet the two criteria, Civic is not prepared to do anything, but are willing to keep an eye on it. Carol will talk to them.

### **Snow Removal Contract**

Snow removal contract – Civic paid the retainer for the snow and the prep fee. Town Officers are checking to make sure it was credited from last year. The treasurer will follow through.

## **Nominees**

Need nominee names to submit for upcoming elections. Up for reelection is Carol Larson. Rick Smyth will not run again because he is on vacation July, August and September. Al might run for one more year. Ed Rohrbach is not interested in running.

Meeting Adjourned 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Resko,

Village Secretary

