

Joint Selectboards Meeting Rasputitsa Event
Wednesday, February 21, 2024
Westfield Community center
Minutes

Selectboard Present:

Jay: Dave Sanders, Le-Ann Tetrault, Tara Morse
Westfield: Jacques Couture, Richard Degre, Dennis Vincent
Troy: Gaston Bathalon, Robert Langlands
North Troy: Terri Medley
Newport Center: Steve Barrup, Richard Gosselin

Others Present: Pat Sanders (Jay Selectboard recorder) Nikki Dunn (Westfield Assistant Clerk),
Heidi Meyer (Rasputitsa Coordinator)

I. Call the joint meeting to order – Gaston Bathalon, Chair. Introductions

- A. Gaston called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.
- B. Gaston reviewed the agenda and purpose of the meeting.
- C. Gaston introduced Heidi who will be representing D30 Gravel LLP/ Rasputitsa Event Coordinator

II. Discuss Joint Event Agreement (Heidi Meyer, Tour Coordinator)

- A. The group reviewed the agreement and made minor changes to the document as suggested by Heidi & Gaston.
- B. The group agreed that the Town of Lowell should be taken off the agreement since they have chosen to not continue as a party to the agreement and are not allowing the event to use their roads. Many people in the group questioned the legality of not allowing the public to use their roads and most agreed that that is not legal. However, Heidi acknowledged that in good faith they will eliminate the Lowell portion and reroute the event course.
- C. The race coordinators will work closely with the Road Commissioners from each town and will make sure they are aware of any and all changes to the route. Gaston will compile a complete contact list of all the Road Commissioners and designated Town Contacts (Dave, Robert, Jacques, Terri & Rick G,) to give to the race coordinators.
- D. All present agreed to the changes to the document. Gaston will send the amended document to Mr. Attwell for revision and once that is completed he will give it to the event coordinators for their lawyer to review. Gaston believes we should have the agreement signed by early to mid March.
- E. Representatives from each Town signed the engagement letter for Mr. Attwell's services.
- E. Gaston will complete a cover letter indicating the support of this event by the Towns noted in the agreement so the coordinators can use it for their State permit applications.

III. Executive Session- None needed

IV. Schedule follow-up meeting. Gaston will schedule a meeting in March to sign the document once the agreement has been reviewed and approved by both parties.

V. Adjourn.

- A. Tara made a motion seconded by Robert to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Sanders