Town of Princeton, Mass.

ROAD ADVISORY COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes, June 24, 2020 7:30PM

Present: Chair William Holder, Members Matt Granger, Ann Neuburg, Thelia Thompson and Kevin Toohey.

7:33PM William Holder opened meeting in a virtual setting.

Vote: minutes of March 3, 2020, and June 2, 2020, meetings unanimously approved.

Town Meeting Preparation

The justification of the \$700,000 borrowing amount mentioned in Article 12 of the upcoming Town Annual Meeting on June 27, 2020, was reviewed. The point of this article is to provide funding for the Highway Barn Bridge, \$956,375, and the Route 31/Mirick Road Culvert, \$239,651, projects.

The total cost of these projects is \$1,196,026. Compared to available resources of \$490,035, the shortfall is estimated to be \$705,993. By borrowing this amount, pressure will be taken off of the Chapter 90 account and enable the road rebuilding program to continue for a longer period of time.

Project Comments

Thelia Thompson raised the issue of soil compaction on the Highway Barn project. She wanted to double check that this endeavor was indeed part of the project contract and that it would be actually performed. It was believed that this was going to happen and that a subcontractor would actually be monitoring this part of the project. It was agreed that Ben Metcalf, Highway Superintendent, would be consulted about this.

Adjourn 8:08 PM

Respectfully submitted: Bill Holder, Chair