SEYMOUR TRAIL RECLASSIFICATION PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 27, 2011

Present:	Bob Bancroft John Quinn Ira Allen	Nanette Rogers
Guests:	See attached list	

Site Visit
The Selectboard met on Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at the intersection of Seymour Trail and Fox Lane to consider reclassifying a portion of Seymour Trail. A list of attendees and notes are attached to these minutes. The site visit ended at 5:47 p.m.

Public Hearing
The hearing was called to order by Bob Bancroft, Chair at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Bancroft explained the purpose of the hearing is to consider reclassifying a portion of the Seymour Trail to a Class 4A road. The Selectboard is proposing the reclassification to resolve problems resulting from reclassification procedures conducted in 1972 and 1986, which directly affected three residences. Mr. Pigeon asked how far up the existing trail is being reclassified; will it come near his property? The Board stated no, explaining it would end in the vicinity of the Hallman property. A discussion of the improvements ensued. Mrs. Hallman and Michael Thomas spoke in favor of the proposal. No opposition was received.

A letter from the Vermont Forests, Parks and Recreation was acknowledged. The letter advised that since the proposed reclassification does not affect any existing trail corridors they have no comment on the reclassification. However it was requested that local trail organizations to be notified.

John Quinn stated the Selectboard is pursuing reclassifying a section of Seymour Trail to a Class 4 Road because they believe it is in the public's good, necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the municipality. The remaining board members concurred.

John Quinn made a motion to reclassify a portion of the Seymour Trail beginning at a point 1.05 miles from Route 15 and travelling in a westerly direction for .09 miles from town trail status to Class 4 road status, and further reclassifying the portion to an "A" status as identified in the Class 4 Roads Ordinance, seconded by Ira Allen. Motion passed: 3-0.

The hearing adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert L. Bancroft, Chair
Westford Selectboard

Nanette Rogers
Town Clerk