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Town of Grantham
Board of Selectmen Public Hearing
April 19, 2018

Chairman Kimball opened the Public Hearing at 5:05PM on Thursday, April 19, 2018. The Hearing was held in the Grantham Town Building, Jerry Whitney Memorial Conference Room at 300 Route 10 South, Grantham, NH.

Present: Selectman Warren Kimball; Selectman Peter Garland; Selectman Constance Jones; and Town Administrator Melissa White

PUBLIC HEARING – GRANTHAM FRP 17-A DARTMOUTH COLLEGE ROAD, DISCONTINUANCE OF PORTION OF OLD NH ROUTE 10 - TO DETERMINE IF THERE IS AN OCCASION FOR THE USE OF SUCH PORTION OF OLD NH ROUTE 10 FOR TOWN HIGHWAY PURPOSES.

The following Notice was received from William J. Cass, Assistant Commissioner at the New Hampshire Department of Transportation:

Notice

Whereas a portion of the Dartmouth College Road, NH Route 10, in the Town of Grantham, has been relocated, I, William J. Cass, Assistant Highway Commissioner, Department of Transportation, hereby find that a portion of the highway as formerly travelled, a more particular description of said portion being given below, is no longer needed for Class II highway purposes.

Being all that part of the Dartmouth College Road, as formerly travelled, which lies thirty-three (33) feet westerly of the NH Route 10 Centerline, as now travelled, as set by project Grantham FRP 17-A on file at the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, located between NH Route 10 Centerline Station 63+60 +/-, and NH Route 10 Centerline Station 73+30 +/-.

In accordance with RSA Chapter 230, Section 55, notice is hereby given that the above described portion of the former Dartmouth College Road will be discontinued unless the Town of Grantham desires the said portion, or portion thereof as Class V highway.

Given under William J. Cass's hand and seal the 20th day of February 2018.

Town Administrator White explained that the New Hampshire Department of Transportation received a request from an abutter requesting for the Department to give up its interest in a portion of the Dartmouth College Road right of way as it abuts their property. Subsequently, the above notice of discontinuation by the NHDOT was sent to the Town. This hearing is for the purpose of the Town of Grantham Board of Selectmen to make a determination on their needs for the use of this portion of roadway. The Town can determine if there is occasion for use for Town Highway purposes, or the Town can determine that no such occasion exists, in which case the highway will be discontinued.

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White further explained that Larry Dufresne and Deborah Dufresne are the abutters who made the request. The Dufresne's own property on Route 10 North, Map and Lot 207-019-000, which is located just north of the Smith Hastings Road and abuts the subject premises described above.

White said she spoke with Road Agent Jeff Hastings and asked if he thought the Town had any need for the use of this portion of roadway for town highway purposes and he didn't think that we did. The Selectmen and White agreed with Hastings.

There being no attendees present except for the Selectmen and Town Administrator, the Public Hearing was closed and the following motion was made: This motion made by Selectman Garland, being the consensus of the Town of Grantham Board of Selectmen after having consulted with Town Road Agent Hastings, it was determined that the Town has no interest in possessing the above described part of Old Route 10 for Town Highway purposes; seconded by Chairman Kimball. **Unanimously approved.**

There being no further business, Selectman Jones moved to adjourn, seconded by Selectman Garland; by unanimous vote, the Board adjourned at 5:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Ann Jasper
Administrative Assistant