

APPROVED
5-10-2021

**April 15, 2021
Town of Taghkanic
Town Board Meeting**

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9:06 am: The Taghkanic Town Board held a Special meeting on the above date with a combination of *Supervisor Ryan Skoda* and all other Board Members, Town Clerk and 7 residents attending via Zoom. *Supervisor Ryan Skoda* opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present:

Ryan Skoda	Supervisor	
Elizabeth Craig	Board Member	
Kara Gilmore	Board Member	
Linda Swartz	Board Member	
Joyce Thompson	Board Member	
George Hotaling	Highway Superintendent	
Cheryl Rogers	Clerk	entered at 9:17 am

Absent:

Supervisor Ryan Skoda: at Monday's nights meeting the 2021 Road Repair plan was presented but Highway Superintendent Hotaling was unable to attend so we are having this Special Meeting for him to answer some of the Town Board Members questions.

Highway Superintendent George Hotaling presented and explained the following road plan for 2021.

TOWN OF TAGHKANIC
483 COUNTY ROUTE 15
ELIZAVILLE, N Y 12523

RYAN SKODA
Supervisor

CHERYL ROGERS
Town Clerk

GEORGE HOTALING
Highway Superintendent

**The Town of Taghkanic Highway Department
2021 Plan for Road Repair as required by HL 5284**

The chart below presents the 2021 Town of Taghkanic Highway Department Plan for Road Repair to the Town of Taghkanic Town Board for its review and approval. Approval constitutes the Town Board authorization to fund the following road repairs within the limits of the Town Budget:

Board Member _____ offered the following:

ROAD	TREATMENT	WEATHER DEPENDENT	PROVIDER	EST. COST**
CROSS - 0.39 MI. (BEFORE JUNE BRIDGE WORK IF POSSIBLE)	PAVE 1.5" TOP		TOWN	22,620
OLD 82 - 1.89 MI. (BEFORE JUNE BRIDGE WORK IF POSSIBLE)	PAVE 1.5" TOP		TOWN	109,620
TAGHKANIC/CHURCHTOWN: 1 MI. CR 10-CROSS STREET (DURING BRIDGE WORK)	TRUE AND LEVEL - 1"		TOWN	40,000
TAGHKANIC/CHURCHTOWN: 1 MI. CR 10-CROSS STREET (DURING BRIDGE WORK)	CHIP SEAL		CONTRACT	15,000
TAGHKANIC/CHURCHTOWN: 2.78 MI. CROSS STREET - CHURCHTOWN LINE (AFTER BRIDGE WORK)	TRUE AND LEVEL - 1"		TOWN	111,200
TAGHKANIC/CHURCHTOWN: 2.78 MI. CROSS STREET - CHURCHTOWN LINE (AFTER BRIDGE WORK)	CHIP SEAL		CONTRACT	41,700
NEW FORGE I - ~2.0 M	CUT SHOULDERS, OPEN DITCHES, REPAIR BASE - FABRIC, PAVE		TOWN	116,000
E. KLEIN - ~1.0 M	CUT SHOULDERS, OPEN DITCHES, REPAIR BASE - PAVE		TOWN	58,000
UPPER POST HILL - ~ 1.0 M	CUT SHOULDERS, OPEN DITCHES, FABRIC, PAVE		CONTRACT	75,000
SOPAK - ~ 1.3 M	CUT SHOULDERS, OPEN DITCHES, REPAIR BASE - PAVE		CONTRACT	97,500
NOSTRAND - 0.73M?	FABRIC (2) & BUILD BASE UP ~ 8" (PAVE 2022)		TOWN	20,000
ESTIMATED TOTAL COST				706,640
* TOWN TRUE/LEVEL WITH 1" MATERIAL AT ESTIMATED \$40K/MILE.				
** TOWN PAVE WITH 1.5" MATERIAL AT ESTIMATED \$58K/MILE				
*** CONTRACT CHIP SEAL ESTIMATED AT \$15K/MILE				
**** CONTRACT PAVE ESTIMATED AT \$75K/MILE				

ELIZABETH CRAIG KARA GILMORE LINDA SWARTZ JOYCE THOMPSON
Board Members

Supervisor Ryan Skoda: Old Route 82, Cross Street and Taghkanic/Churchtown Road are the designated detour while County Route 10 Bridge is being replaced. I suggest we

postpone those roads for later in the year and start with New Forge, E. Klein, Upper Post Hill, Sopak and Nostrand Roads. I am also suggesting we look into quotes from Peckham and Gorman's for Old Route 82, Cross Street and Taghkanic/Churchtown Road for their reclamation process. That is where they grind up the base on the road, add material to it and place it back down. It is my understanding that this process can be less expensive.

+ **Board Member Elizabeth Craig:** it would make more sense to recycle if it is less expensive.

+ **Board Member Kara Gilmore:** the estimated cost, what are these numbers based on?

+ **Highway Superintendent Hotaling:** numbers that the Gallatin Highway Superintendent was quoted for their roads. Also, some are based on last year's numbers.

+ **Board Member Joyce Thompson:** I think we are in agreement on the following:

- **New Forge**
- **East Klein**
- **Upper Post Hill**
- **Sopak**
- **Old Route 82, Cross Street, and Taghkanic/Churchtown Road to be determined from quotes from Peckham and Gorman for their reclamation process.**

+ **Board Member Kara Gilmore:** would it be possible to keep the board updated on the ongoing estimated numbers?

+ **Board Member Joyce Thompson:** yes, I would think we should keep this on the agenda to keep everyone up to date on what is going on.

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+ **Supervisor Ryan Skoda:** yes, that is correct, if all agree I need a motion.

Board Member Elizabeth Craig motioned to approve the amended Taghkanic Highway Department 2021 Plan for Road Repair as required by H 284 as follows:

- **New Forge**
- **East Klein**
- **Upper Post Hill**
- **Sopak**
- **Old Route 82, Cross Street, and Taghkanic/Churchtown Road all to be determined by dates and from quotes from Peckham and Gorman for their reclamation process.**
- **Nostrand Road**

seconded by **Board Member Kara Gilmore.**

Approved 5 Aye (**Ryan Joyce, Elizabeth, Kara, Linda**)
0 Nays
0 Absent

Board Member Joyce Thompson: shared the draft of the mailer as follows:



Supervisor Ryan Skoda: I will look over the draft post card and respond to Joyce immediately to move forward with the printing.

Supervisor Ryan Skoda: Nadja Palenzuela and Melissa Skoda have volunteered to sit that day to identify & register voters, and issue ballots.

The following people commented during the fifteen minute public comment:

- + **Board Member Linda Swartz:** I participated in the Region 8 state of the region address, it was stated that there should not be any problems with the funding for CHIPS, the extreme winter conditions, Pave NY, and Bridge NY. All are very well funded.
- + **Karen Lansing:** if there is extra money what about Old Oak Road, it is 941 of my steps from end to end. Again, Old Oak Road doesn't count.
- + **Highway Superintendent George Hotaling:** Old Oak Road is not wide enough to be paved and is not covered by CHIPS. All town roads count.
- + **Board Member Joyce Thompson:** the list of road work presented is a very ambitious list of work to be done and will take most if not all the money that has been budgeted for this year.
- + **Board Member Linda Swartz:** Karen, the difference with Old Oak and Livingston Road is Livingston is a paved road between two major highways and Old Oak is a very narrow dirt road used by the (5 homes) local residents. You have been in front of the Town Board numerous times but the list of roads planned for 284 road plan this year is a very ambitious list which will not leave very much money for any other work this year. The roads on the list are roads that residents have been complaining about as well. If these roads listed this year get done, then maybe next year, Old Oak could get done.
- + **Karen Lansing:** there is more and more traffic going down this road and now the bus goes down this road as well. Ed Smith on the end of the road toward Route 82 is not able to open his window because of all the dust.
- + **Board Member Elizabeth Craig:** is there a list of town roads and when they were done?
- + **Board Member Joyce Thompson:** yes, there is a list of roads.
- + **Board Member Kara Gilmore:** can we get prices for dust control on Old Oak Road.
- + **Board Member Joyce Thompson:** I agree. I will add Old Oak to the 284 to get quotes for dust control.
- + All members agreed.

With no further business, on a motion by **Board Member Elizabeth Craig**, seconded by **Board Member Linda Swartz** the meeting was adjourned at **10:27 am**, carried unanimously by all members present. The next Regular meeting will be **May 10, 2021** at the Taghkanic Town Hall.

Audience at Town Hall:

Audience via Zoom: Perry Ascher Doug Fidoten Karen Lansing Walter Flamenbaum