

TOWN OF THORNTON
Board of Selectmen Minutes
Meeting Date: November 10, 2009

Board of Selectmen present:
Jim Parziale, & Roy Sabourn
Staff present:
Town Administrator, Tammie Beaulieu
RA Tom Dubey

The Thornton Board of Selectmen held a site visit on Tuesday, November 10, 2009, 9:30 AM at the Millbrook Covered Bridge in Thornton with the Department of Transportation representatives.

The State representatives, Nancy Mayville, David Scott, & Bob Hudson were in attendance to review the proposal estimate letter they forwarded to the Town in October 2009.

9:30 AM Selectmen Parziale, Selectmen Sabourn, RA Dubey, TA Beaulieu, met with the state employees to further discuss the Town's options for the problems with the covered bridge at Millbrook.

The State representatives do not believe the bridge needs to be replaced but rather some areas be strengthened. Selectmen Parziale felt strongly and shared his concerns that the bridge will wash out if the town has a storm similar to the one in 1995. He did not think the town should repair the bridge but rather replace the bridge with a steel bridge and bring the right of way up higher. Selectmen Sabourn felt that the state engineers were repeating the same concerns that had been shared with the board in 2008 from another engineer they had look at the bridge. He felt comfortable that the Town had received two engineers' opinions and the board was informed that the bridge would handle a fifty year storm event without a problem.

The board members agreed to share the information discussed with Selectmen Tyler at their next meeting and decide the Town's course of action to rectify this problem.

Motion

11:10 AM Selectmen Parziale moved to adjourn the meeting, Selectmen Sabourn seconded. Motion Passed (2-0-0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammie Beaulieu