District Certcode 0209-0

CERTIFICATE OF HIGHWAY MILEAGE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 2019

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We, the members of the legislative body of READSBORO

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Notes by 5. Moulton

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APPROVED: Representative, Agency of Transportation 4/18/2019



State of Vermont Division of Policy and Planning - Mapping Section

1 National Life Drive Montpelier, VT 05633-5001 http://vtrans.vermont.gov Agency of Transportation

Email: sara.moulton@vermont.gov

February 28, 2019

Chair, Selectboard Readsboro c/o Town Clerk PO Box 187 Readsboro, VT 05350-0187

To Town Clerk and Selectboard:

Thank you for sending your 2019 Certificate of Highway Mileage. Unfortunately, I need to return it because I need to have the town clerk sign it.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Sara Moulton

Sara Moulton AOT GIS Professional III

Enclosure

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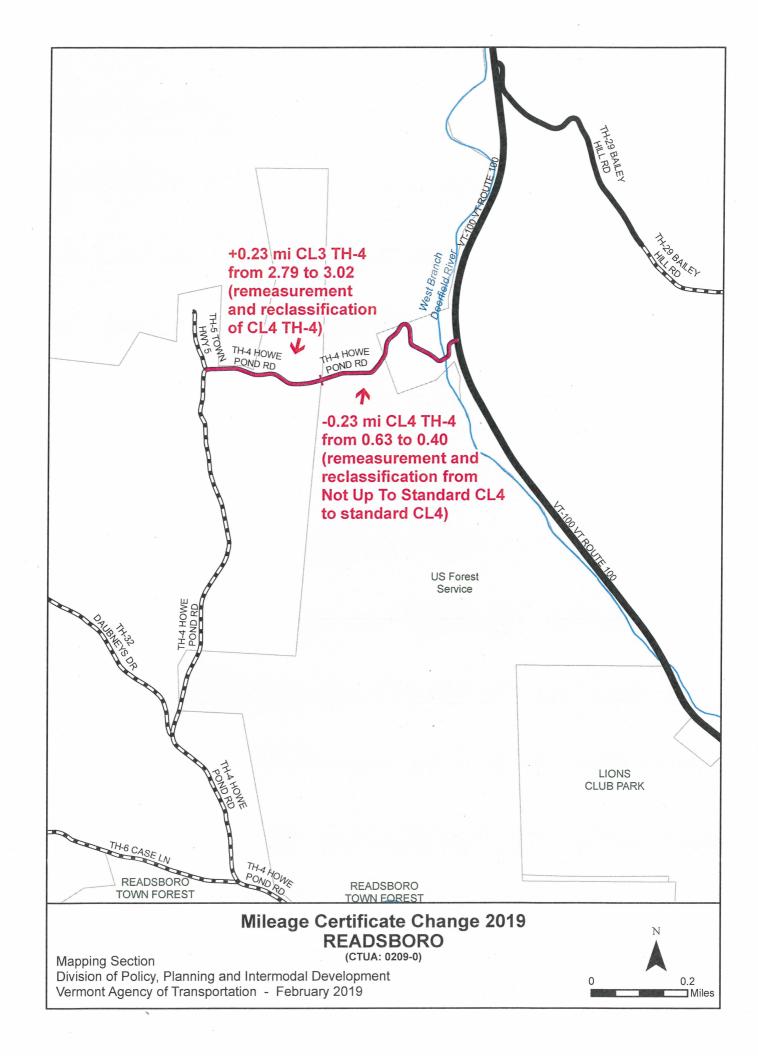
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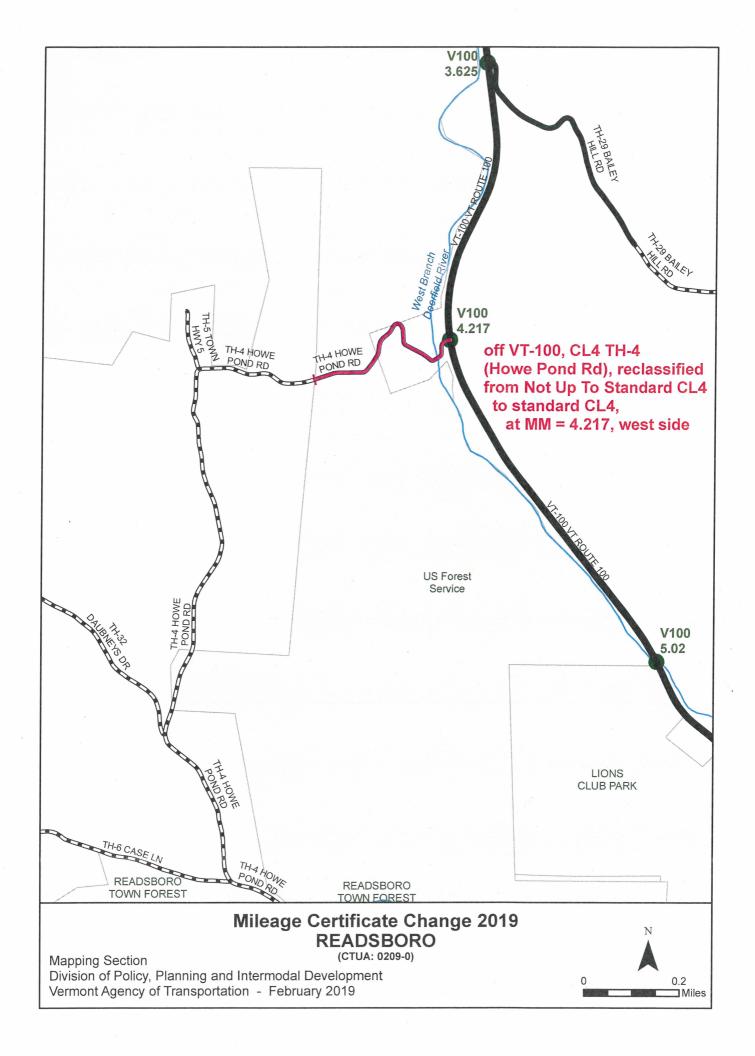
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Certificate of Highway Mileage Instructions

Towns use this certificate to update mileage of town highways and trails, incorporating any changes made before February 10, 2019. Changes in highway classification, additions of new highways or trails, alterations, or discontinuances must include documentation of Selectboard action, such as minutes of meetings when action was taken.

PART I

Previous Mileage – This shows mileage as of completion of last year's certificate.

Added Mileage - Enter the total mileage of any new legally accepted Class 3 or 4 highways or trails, and any highways reclassified from Class 3 to 4 or vice versa, or highways reclassified to or from trails.

Subtracted Mileage – Enter the total mileage of discontinued highways or trails, and the total mileage of any highways reclassified from Class 3 to 4 or vice vol., or highways reclassified to or from trails.

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PART III

A sample certificate with an example on how to fill it out variable online at: http://vtransmaps.vermont.gov/Maps/Publications/MileageCertificates/Cert Sample.pdf

Additional guidance is provided in the enclosed document "Vermont Agency of Transportation Guidelines - Certificate of Highway Mileage".

Return completed certificate, using enclosed envelope. If needed, use a larger envelope with same address as on the enclosed envelope.

Certificates must be postmarked on or before February 20, 2019. Certificates that are postmarked after February 20, 2019 may not be processed.

12/2018

I am recommending the reclassification of the following class III road.

TH # 4 Howe Pond Road = .55 miles

The Howe Pond Road is 3.42 miles long, the section that I'm recommending for reclassification to a class IV is the end of the road that used to intersect RT 100. This section of road is currently (NUTS) not up to state standard, the bridge at the bottom of the hill is condemned and there is no future plan on ever replacing this bridge, there are no residents on this end of the road. The .55 mile reclassification will begin at the access point of lot #39 (Franconi property) and continue to RT 100. In order to bring this road up to the state standard it would require extensive excavation, tree cutting, manhours, and materials, it is not within the best interests of the town to forgo any expense on the improvement of this section of road.

Thank you,

Norm Wilber

DPW SUPERVISOR

SUMMARY OF ROAD VIEWING

Site visit TH#4 Howe Pond Road December 8, 2018

Call to order: 9am

Present: Helyn Strom-Henriksen, Joseph Berard and Norman Wilber. Ted Hopkins and James Damato were on the bottom route 100 side.

Two of the Selectboard members along with the DPW Superintendent, Norman Wilber viewed the section of TH#4 approximately 6/10 of a mile at the end of Howe Pond Road that the State of Vermont has determined not up to standards (NUTS). The three of them discussed the amount of work that the section of road in question would require to meet the state standards adopted by the Town and discussed that it is within the best interests of the Town to reclassify this section from a Class III to Class IV road.

Adjourned: 9:30am

Submitted by Norman Wilber, DPW Superintendent

Howe Pond Road Hearing December 8, 2018

Call to Order at 10:00am

Present: Helyn Strom-Henriksen, Joseph Berard, Norman Wilber, Karen Boisvert, James Damato, Ted Hopkins, Anna Bolognani

Selectboard Chair Helyn Strom- Henriksen gave a brief history of why we are present here today. The State of Vermont sent a letter to the town stating that the road was not up to State Standards and to either bring it up to the standards or reclassify. A site visit was performed at 9am on December 8, 2018.

Anna Bolognani:

Anna came to ask questions early due to another commitment. She questioned where the road was going to be designated as Class IV. Norman explained it would remain a Class III down past her property and end after the next lot owned by Mr. Franconi.

James Damato:

Mr. Damato was concerned with who would be responsible for the bridge at the end of the road. He stated he did not want the responsibility of the bridge for liability/ insurance reasons. He was assured that the bridge would still be the responsibility of the town. He also asked how far in the .5 miles was from Vermont Route 100. He was told the Franconi property. Mr. Damato expressed concern for the future stating that the 10 acre block of property on the other side of the river might be hard to develop for his children if they choose to do so at a later date. He asked for a 30 day continuance for his lawyer to contact the Towns attorney.

Ted Hopkins:

Mr. Hopkins voiced concern over the timeline saying he would like for the hearing and site visit to be postponed until spring. He also asked if various entities were notified. Of his list of entities all have been notified with the exception of the power company and Mr. Damatos Mortgagor. Karen will look into the legalities/ necessity of this. Mr. Hopkins asked if land owners would be financially compensated and if the road budget was going to be reduced. He also thinks the town should contact the State about the bridge. Mr. Hopkins asked if the road had been surveyed and was told that it would be. . Mr. Hopkins presented the board with a packet laying out concerns for all roads under discussion. Specific to Howe Pond Road he states "Thoughts on Billy Goat Hill to route 100: Although not clearly stated on the legal notice I think the notice is legally flawed by not giving interested parties an idea of what the Selectboard wishes to do.

This is what the notice is for. No action should be taken at this location due to no game plan in place."

Karen Boisvert read a letter sent by the Vermont Department of Forest, Parks & Recreation .

Agency of Natural Resources



State of Vermont
Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation
Lands Administration and Recreation Division
1 National Life Drive, Davis 2
Montpelier, VT 05620-3801
http://fpr.vermont.gov

December 5, 2018

Town of Readsboro Selectboard c/o Amber Holland, Town Clerk Town Office P.O. Box 187 Readsboro, VT 05350

RE: Proposed discontinuance of portions of Town Highway #4 (Howe Pond Road)

Dear Board Members,

On November 19, 2018, the Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation (FPR) received the petition to reclassify portions of Town Highway #4 (Howe Pond Road) in the Town of Readsboro. Per 19 V.S.A. §775, municipalities must notify the Commissioner of FPR when a petition to discontinue a highway is filed. It is the policy of FPR to encourage municipalities to keep highways as public rights-of-way for emergency, recreational, forestry, agricultural, and other purposes. These roads provide numerous benefits, including:

- Access to year-round and part-time residence and camps;
- Access to agricultural fields, forests, and sugaring operations;
- Access to state-owned parcels for recreational opportunities, for hunting and fishing, forest management and other forest products;
- Recreational access for activities like hiking, mountain biking, cross country skiing, horseback riding, and ATV and 4-wheel use

FPR's Lands Administration staff and District staff in our Rutland office have reviewed the petition and are not opposed to the proposed road discontinuance. FPR staff will not be participating in the public hearing and site visit occurring on December 8, 2018. We respectfully ask that this letter be recorded as part of the official proceedings on this matter. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely.

Rebecca Washburn

Director, Lands Administration and Recreation Division



Motion to close hearing at 10:20am by Helyn Strom-Henriksen, seconded by Joseph Berard. So voted.

DECISION OF RECLASSIFICATION OF THE .55 MILE BOTTOM PORTION OF HOWE POND ROAD, HIGHWAY # 4

On motion duly made and seconded and unanimously passed, the Selectboard of the Town of Readsboro found: That all notice requirements required by 19 VSA 709, including publication in the local newspaper. All interested parties present, desiring to be heard, have been heard.

On motion duly made and seconded and unanimously passed, the Selectboard of the Town of Readsboro decided: Having found that public good, necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the municipality require that the portion of highway # 4 be reclassified, The Selectboard herby reclassifies Town Highway #4 for the distance of .55 miles. A survey is being done and will be filed at the Readsboro Town Office upon completion. This decision shall be recorded in the Records of the Town of Readsboro and properly indexed. This decision, when faithfully transcribed, shall be executed by all members of the Selectboard and bare the date of the decision, that is, January 23, 2019.

Executed this January 23, 2019,

Members of the Readsboro Selectboard:

Helm Stram Henriksen

Helyn Strom-Henriksen- Chair

Joseph Berard

David Marchegiani

Notice of Initiation of Reclassification and

Notice of Visitation and Hearing before the Readsboro, Vermont Selectboard

Concerning the Discontinuance of that portion of Town Highway #4 (Howe Pond Road) as it accesses Vermont Route 100

19 VSA 709

Viewing at site: <u>December 8, 2018- 9am</u>

Hearing in the school gymnasium at Readsboro Central School: December 8, 2018- 10am

As permitted by Title 19 Vermont Statues Annotated Section 708 (19VSA 708) on November 7, 2018 the Selectboard of the Town of Readsboro, Vermont initiated the process to reclassify a portion of Town Highway #4, as stated below. On December 8, 2018 at 9AM the Selectboard of the Town of Readsboro, Vermont, will view the layout of the existing public right-of-way know as Town Highway #4 off Vermont Route 100 in Readsboro Vermont for the purpose of reclassifying that portion of TH#4 accessing Vermont Route 100, which is mapped as a public right-of-way. Length of the portion subject to this reclassification is approximately fifty five hundredths (0.55) of a mile. The hearing on this matter will be on the same date at 10am in the school gymnasium at Readsboro Central School, 301 Phelps Lane, in Readsboro Vermont. For more information contact Karen Boisvert, Readsboro Administrative Assistant at admin@readsborovt.org or (802) 423-5652.

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