District Certcode 0908-0

APPROVED:

CERTIFICATE OF HIGHWAY MILEAGE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 2019

Fill out form, make and file copy with the Town Clerk, and mail ORIGINAL, before February 20, 2019 to: Vermont Agency of Transportation, Division of Policy, Planning and Intermodal Development, Mapping Section One National Life Drive, Montpelier, VT 05633.

We, the members of the legislative body of ORANGE

in ORANGE

County

on an oath state that the mileage of highways, according to Vermont Statutes Annotated, Title 19, Section 305, added 1985, is as follows:

PART I - CHANGES TOTALS - Please fill in and calculate totals.

Town Highways	Previous Mileage	Added Mileage	Subtracted Mileage	Total	Scenic Highways
Class 1	0.000	0:000	0,000	0,000	0.000
Class 2	7.640	0.000	0.000	7.640	0.000
Class 3	27.14	0.000	0.000	27.14	0.000
State Highway	8.364	0.000	0.000	8.364	0.000
Total	43.144				0.000
* Class 1 Lane	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
* Class 4	3.38	0.000	1.400	1.980	0.000
* Legal Trail	4.18	0.000	0.000	2.780	

^{*} Mileage for Class 1 Lane, Class 4, and Legal Trail classifications are NOT included in total.

PART II - INFORMATION AND DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES SHOWN ABOVE.

1. NEW HIGHWAYS: Please attach Selectmen's "Certificate of Completion and Opening".

Received

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2. DISCONTINUED: Please attach SIGNED copy of proceedings (minutes of meeting).

- 3. RECLASSIFIED/REMEASURED: Please attach SIGNED copy of proceedings (minutes of meeting). See attacked
- 4. SCENIC HIGHWAYS: Please attach a copy of order designating/discontinuing Scenic Highways. ~\(\int\O\cappa_0\)

PART III - SIGNATUR	ES - PLEASE SIGN.
Selectmen/ Aldermen/ T	Trustees Signatures:
	a sere enought
T/C/V Clerk Signature:	Musy Mater Date Filed: 3.18.19
Please sign ORIGINAL an	nd return it for Transportation signature.
AGENCY OF TRANSP	ORTATION APPROVAL: Signed copy will be returned to T/C/V Clerk.

Representative, Agency of Transportation

DATE:



State of Vermont Division of Policy and Planning - Mapping Section

Agency of Transportation

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

Telephone: 802-828-2600 Email: johnathan.croft@vermont.gov

March 11, 2019

Chair, Selectboard Orange c/o Town Clerk PO Box 233 East Barre, VT 05649

To Town Clerk and Selectboard:

In early January, the Vermont Agency of Transportation mailed the annual Certificate of Highway Mileage to you for completion and return. To date, your town's certificate has not been received. We use this certificate to confirm highway mileage for the purpose of allocating state aid for town roads. If we do not receive a completed mileage certificate from you by March 25, we will assume there are no changes from last year's certificate and state aid will be based on those mileages.

The completed mileage certificate should be returned to: Vermont Agency of Transportation PPIDD - Mapping Section 1 National Life Drive Montpelier, VT 05633-5001

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments regarding the Mileage Certificates or the process. I can be reached via telephone at (802) 828-2600 or via email at johnathan.croft@vermont.gov.

Sincerely,

Johnathan Croft

AOT GIS Database Administrator

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cc: Mileage Certificate File



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May 28, 2019

Eric Holmgren, Selectboard Chair Town of Oragne, c/o Town Clerk PO Box 233 East Barre VT 05649

Dear Mr. Holmgren,

Please find attached a copy of the 2019 Certificate of Highway Mileage for the Town of Orange. Unfortunately, VTrans was unable to accept the reclassification from class 4 town highway to legal trail for 0.62 miles of TH-7 (Notch Road / Atherton Road) and 0.21 miles of TH-17 (Beard Road) due to the lack of documentation showing the statutory process was followed. Based on the information provided, the reclassification was done at a public hearing for the Town Plan and the reclassification was an addition to this hearing. It was not evident that public notice was provided to the adjoining landowners of these highways, as site visit was performed, or written decision was completed. The process for laying out, discontinuing and reclassifying highways is defined in Chapter 7 of Title 19 of Vermont State Statute and can be found on-line at the following link:

https://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/chapter/19/007

The Orange Book – Handbook for Local Officials provides some details on reclassification of highways based on the statutes in Chapter 7 of Title 19. The process is list on Page 13-3, with an excerpt below:

- 1. Petition to the governing body, signed by at least 5 percent of the voters or landowners, is received. The governing body may act on its own motion without a petition.
- 2. Hold hearing, giving 30 days' notice to petitioners and the town planning commission. View the highway in question. Receive testimony from interested parties. Generally board members should refrain from carrying on discussion with the parties, except to clarify facts and issues.
- 3. Render a written decision, giving the public good, necessity and convenience of the inhabitant's proper consideration. The decision should set out the reason or logic behind the action taken. The action should occur at a duly warned meeting of the governing body, and within 60 days after the hearing.
- 4. A person not satisfied with the decision may appeal to the district court (19V.S.A.§726) or the superior court (19 V.S.A.§740).

The Orange Book - Page 13-3 (https://vtrans.vermont.gov/sites/aot/files/operations/TheOrangeBook.pdf)

The Mapping Section put together a document during the implementation of Act 178 of 2006, which was the "ancient roads" law. This guidance, "Adding Ancient Roads to the General Highway Map Understanding How Act 178 of 2006 and Parts of V.S.A. Title 19 Work An Ancient Road Practicum" (ftp://vtransmaps.vermont.gov/Maps/Publications/AncientRoads/AncientRoadPracticum.pdf) provides some insight to the process and what documentation is needed with the Mileage Certificates. I have enclosed a copy of this document with this letter and Mileage Certificate.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments regarding the reclassification process, the mileage certificates, or mapping in general.

Sincerely,

Johnathan Croft

VTrans Mapping Section

JFC/jfc

Enclosures

cc: Shauna Clifford, VTrans District 7 Project Manager

Zoe Neaderland, VTrans Planning Coordinator

Dan Currier, Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission

Town Highway/Legal Trails Addition/Reclassification/Discontinuance Checklist

The following includes a checklist of the documentation to be supplied to the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans) when adding / reclassifying / discontinuing highways and trails. The documentation is subject to verification by VTrans.

Check	the box $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$ if the information is included as part of the documentation submitted.
	A description of the affected highway or trail Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 19, § 305(e)
$ \checkmark $	A current town highway map with the requested deletions and additions sketched on it Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 19, § 305(e)
\triangleleft	Minutes of meetings at which the legislative body took action with respect to the changes (include copies of the meeting minutes) Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 19, § 305(e)
	Evidence of written notice to adjoining landowners (include a copy of the newspaper notice and a copy of the letter sent to adjoining landowners) Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 19, § 709
	A copy of any surveys of the affected highway or trail Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 19, § 305(e) Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 19, § 704
	For Class 3 or Class 4 town highway additions A Certificate of Completion and Opening While not required by statute, a Certificate of Completion and Opening form is a helpful document for the record.

All records filed with the agency are subject to verification in accordance with 19 V.S.A. \S 305 (a) and 19 V.S.A. \S 305 (e).

Vermont Agency of Transportation
Division of Policy, Planning and Intermodal Development, Mapping Section
1 National Life Drive, Montpelier, VT 05633-5001

Town of Orange Select Board Minutes – August 13, 2018

In attendance: Eric Holmgren, Sue Perreault, Lee Youngman, John McNeil, Leo Martineau, Randall Costa John Barnes

Eric Holmgren called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm.

Agenda revisions: 1. Bob Richardson would like to address the board about the proposed work for the town garage,

- 2. Dave and Sharyn Palisoul of Rock Place in East Orange would like a discussion about the condition of roads in East Orange,
- 3. Add road reclassification to the Public Hearing

At 6:10, Eric Holmgren opened the Public Hearing part of the meeting to discuss the town's new 5 year plan. Randall Costa, a resident of the town of Washington whose land abuts the Notch Trail, commented that the plan was well written and quite detailed for a town our size. He was glad to see the focus on protecting sensitive environments and focusing commercial development in the town center. He suggests that we add maps showing all conserved lands, stating that visuals were helpful to see the big picture. Eric said that since maps are only a snapshot in time, and the town plan covers a 5 year period, the planning commission decided to leave that level of detail out.

Eric listed the roads the road foreman has recommended for reclassification from class 4 roads to legal trails: Strong Road, .62 miles; Notch Rd/Atherton Rd, .21 miles and Beard Road, .57 miles. The State of Vermont has recently changed roads standards, and reclassifying these lightly used roads to legal trails relieves the town of the obligation to maintain them without losing our right of way. On a motion made by Sue Perreault, the board approved moving all three roads from class 4 to legal trail classification.

Sue Perreault moved to adjourn the public hearing and re-open the regular select board meeting at 6:20.

John McNeil addressed the board about Lister Errors and Omissions. The Solar Farm on the Thurston farm property on 110 and Tucker Road had an erroneous tax bill sent out. There are two parcels, each identical in value, one labeled "East" and one labeled "West". The tax bill was initially prepared only valuing one of the parcels at \$789,600.00 for \$5250.28 tax bill, instead of the total value of \$1,579,200 for a total tax bill of \$9415.18. A revised bill has been sent and the taxpayer notified.

Mary Contois had tried to file a grievance last year, but filed after the deadline. This year she did not file a grievance, so no action was taken on her complaint from last year.

John McNeil told the board there were still 7 pending incorrect tax bills plus 8 that need the late filing penalty waived. He talked to NEMRIC about unlocking the override feature and those corrected tax bills will be sent out by tomorrow. The town allows a one week grace period before late payment fees kick in.

Lee Youngman updated the board on a complaint received from East Orange residents Dave and Sharyn Palisoul. They say that the roads in East Orange are washboarded and dusty and want the town to chloride the roads. John Barnes explained that grading the roads in drought conditions actually make

them worse, because the disturbed materials doesn't have a chance to consolidate, and the roads just blow away. We are currently over budget on Chloride, and the cost has gone to \$2.00 per gallon. Lee will call the Palisouls and explain the situation to them.

Sue Perreault talked to Bill Bonyak, the Orange County Sheriff, about his letter in June asking for hourly rate increases. Bill told her that Orange County lost a lot of it's road flagging work and needed to make up the difference from towns with whom they contract. Eric reminded the board that we only have \$10,000 budgeted for police protection, and that if Orange County wants to renegotiate the contract, which is not due to expire until next May, it will mean they get fewer patrol hours in Orange. We will not increase the amount we have budgeted. The board did not agree to a rate increase from \$42.00 per hour to \$46.00. Sue will talk to Bill Bonyak again.

Bob Richardson went over the budget for the town garage. His labor will be about \$5000 and materials will be another \$5000 or so. He will bill us for labor and we will pay Poulin lumber directly for the materials. Bob explained work he needs to do to make the garage winter-ready, and to minimize water run off and ice buildup.

There were no accounts payable warrants prepared for the board to review.

There were no fireworks permits.

On a motion made by Lee Youngman, the board moved into executive session at 7:15 to discuss Personnel matters.

On a motion made by Lee Youngman, the board moved to come out of executive session at 7:23 pm.

On a motion made by Sue Perreault, the board adjourned at 7:24 pm.