

CERTIFICATE OF HIGHWAY MILEAGE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 2008

MAR 26 2008

Fill out form, make and file copy with the Town Clerk, and mail ORIGINAL, before February 20, 2008 to: Vermont Agency of Transportation, Policy and Planning Division, One National Life Drive, Montpelier, VT 05633.

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Adjustments by S. Moulton 3/26/08

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Letter attached

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IF THERE ARE NO CHANGES IN MILEAGE: Check box and sign below. []

PART III - SIGNATURES - PLEASE SIGN.

Selectmen/ Aldermen/ Trustees Signatures:

Handwritten signatures: David Benning, Thomas Taylor

T/C/V Clerk Signature: Handwritten signature: Darlene Wyman

Date Filed: 03-20-08

Please sign ORIGINAL and return it for Transportation signature.

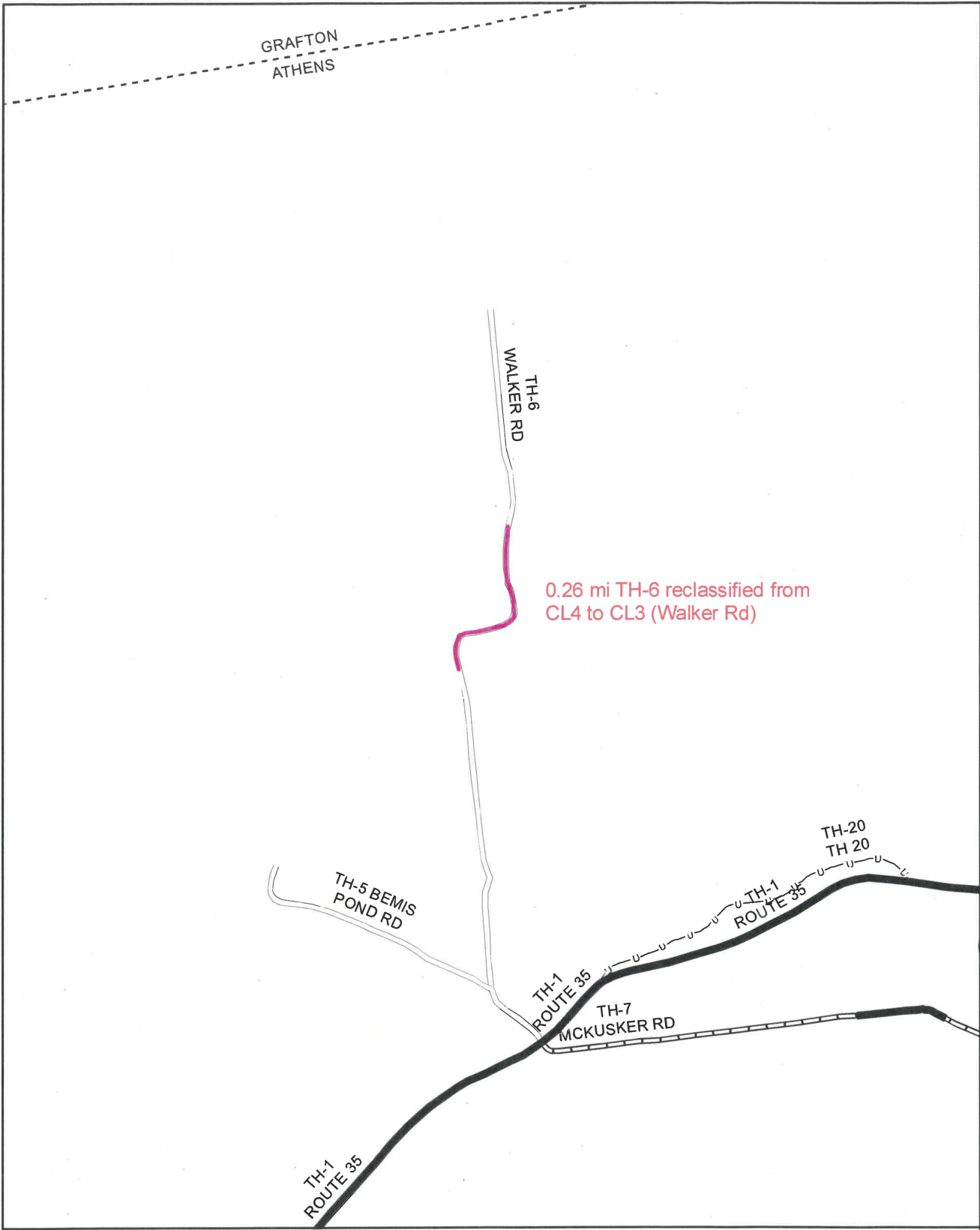
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Representative, Agency of Transportation

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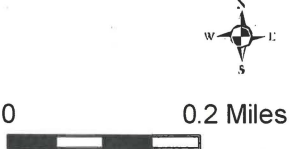
4/17/2008



0.26 mi TH-6 reclassified from CL4 to CL3 (Walker Rd)

Mileage Certificate Change 2008 -- ATHENS

Mapping Unit
Policy & Planning Division
Vermont Agency of Transportation -- March 2008



ATHENS
TH-6

The first section of TH-6 is 0.09 miles (from TH-1 to TH-5).
It should meet Class 3 standards.

What does the next 0.45 miles look like (the section after TH-5)?
Does it meet Class 3 standards?

What does the next 1350 feet after that look like?
Does it meet Class 3 standards?

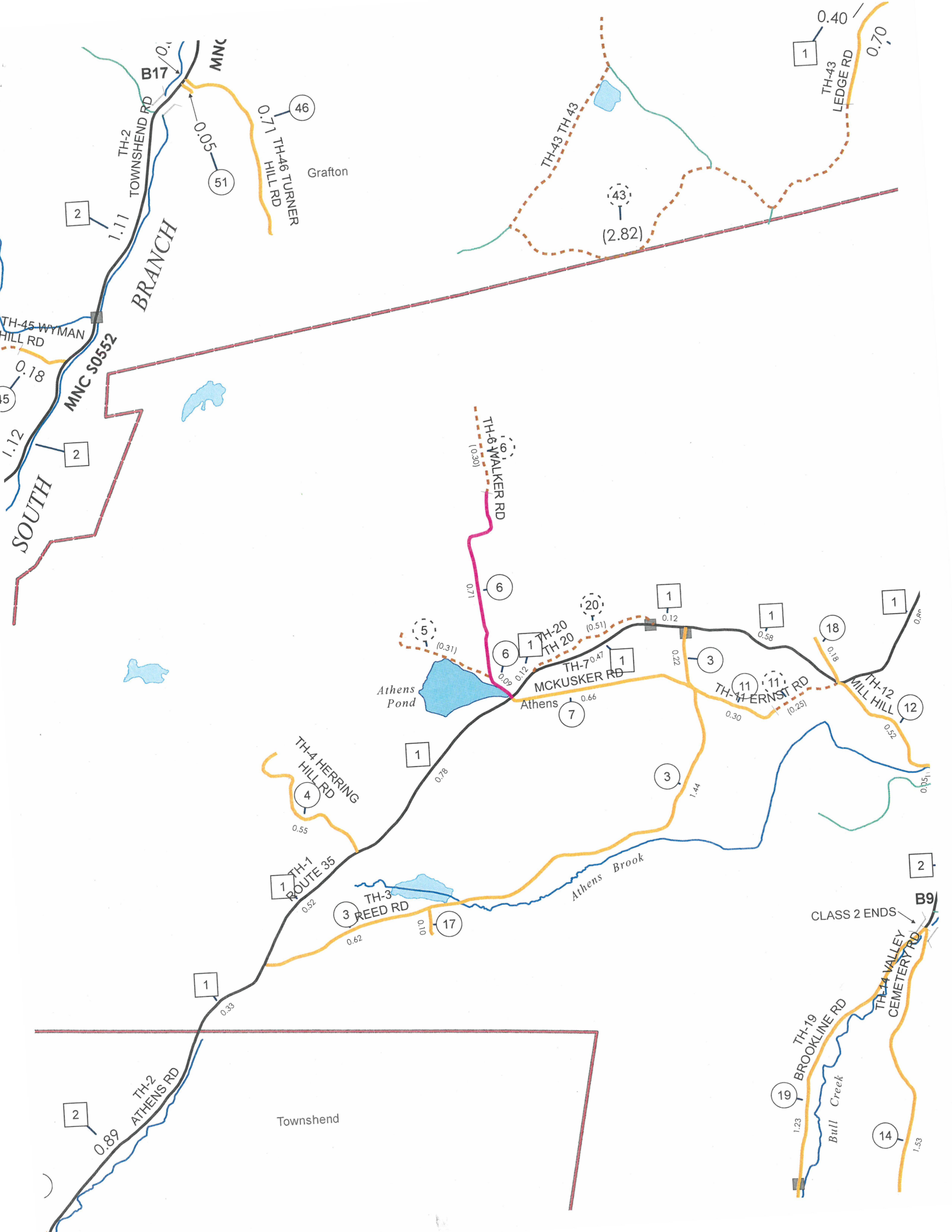
Key features to look for:

The improved section is described as beginning at:
"Santiago Escobar's driveway and ending 1350 feet to the large culvert replaced by the 2006 flood."

Can you find these features?
Does the road between these two features meet Class 3 standards?

Everything looks appropriate
S. Moulton
8/7/2012





Office of the Town Clerk of Athens
56 Brookline Road
Athens, Vermont 05143

Vermont
Agency of Transportation

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CHARTERED MAY 3, 1780

Johnathan Croft
Vermont Agency of Transportation
1 National Life Drive
Montpelier, VT 05633-5001

March 31, 2008

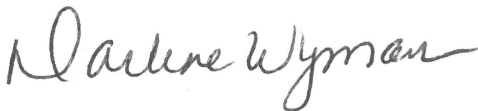
Dear Johnathan,

After speaking to you on the phone, I am verifying that the section of Walker Road, Hwy #6, that is to be reclassified, continues 1350 feet north from the 0.54 miles of Class 3 highway that already exist.

Sincerely,

Darlene Wyman
Town Clerk


Selectman



Moulton, Sara

From: Portalupi, Alec
Sent: Wednesday, March 26, 2008 12:04 PM
To: 'townofathens@vermontel.net'
Cc: Croft, Johnathan; Adams, Mel; Alexander, John; Moulton, Sara; Ruzzo, Joseph; Gammell, Wayne; Portalupi, Alec; Rogers, Scott; Lewis, Sam
Subject: FW: Athens Certificate of Highway Mileage

We have received a copy of your Certificate of Highway Mileage and we are inching our way closer to having everything we need, but we are not quite there yet. Please note that under Part I of the certificate, towns must list not only "previous mileage," but also "added mileage," "subtracted mileage," and "total mileage" as applicable. Therefore, we need to have your town indicate (on the certificate) how many miles of Class 3 were added and how many miles of Class 4 were subtracted and then do the math to show the totals in the "total" column.

Also, please note that in the letter from Johnathan Croft to your town dated March 5th, we are still unable to map the reclassified portion of Walker Hill Road as it is described in the Certificate of Completion and Opening. In his letter, Johnathan states that "it would help us if the reclassified section were described in relation to the nearest intersection with a town highway." In other words, if Santiago Escobar's driveway is located **xxx** feet north of the intersection of Town Highway 5 and Town Highway 6 and the reclassified portion of TH 6 extends 1350 feet to the north from that point, this is the type of information that our Mapping Unit needs in order to re-map it.

We need this information prior to April 1st, as it is holding us up from making the necessary submittals so that the calculations of what each town will receive in Town Highway Aid can be performed. If we don't receive this information prior to April 1st, we will have to submit the mileage breakdown based on last year's numbers and your Town Highway Aid distribution will be based on last year's numbers.

Again, if there is anything more we can clarify or help you with, please let us know. Thank you.

Alec Portalupi
 Maintenance Programs Engineer
 802-828-3889

From: Croft, Johnathan
Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2008 3:42 PM
To: 'townofathens@vermontel.net'
Cc: Portalupi, Alec; Adams, Mel; Alexander, John; Moulton, Sara
Subject: Athens Certificate of Highway Mileage

March 25, 2008

Dear Town Clerk Wyman and Athens Selectboard,

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I look forward to hearing from the Town of Athens before Friday afternoon. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or comments regarding the Certificate, process, or mapping in general.

Johnathan Croft
VTrans Mapping Unit
(802) 828-2600

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Town of Athens
56 Brookline Road
Athens, VT 05143

Vermont Agency of Transportation
Policy & Planning division-Mapping Unit
1 National Life Drive
Montpelier, VT 05633-5001

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing on behalf of the Selectmen in regards to the reclassification on Road #6, Walker Road, in the Town of Athens.

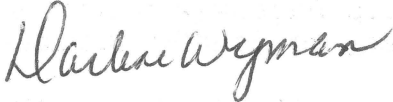
Currently Road # 6 is 0.54 miles of Class 3 road. An additional 1350 feet has been added to this Class 3 road .

Also Road #6 was a Class 4 road of 0.56 miles, therefore the 1350 feet needs to be subtracted from this Class 4 road.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 802-869-3370.

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Representative, Agency of Transportation

This was the version emailed on 3/25/08. The one returned by the town on Mar 25 was the original. Originally, mailed in Jan 08, 5:10:40pm

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Montpelier, VT 05633-5001
<http://www.aot.state.vt.us>

Agency of Transportation

Telephone: 802-828-2600
Fax: 802-828-2334

March 5, 2008

Chair, Selectboard
Athens, c/o Town Clerk
56 Brookline Rd
Athens, VT 05143

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 20, we will assume there are no changes from last year's certificate and state aid will be based on last year's mileages.

The completed mileage certificate should be returned to:

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Also, please note that we are unable to map the reclassified portion of Walker Hill Rd as it is described in the enclosed Certificate of Completion and Opening. It would help us if the reclassified section were described in relation to the nearest intersection with a town highway.

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@state.vt.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Johnathan Croft".

Johnathan Croft
AOT GIS Database Administrator

JFC/sem
cc: Mileage Certificate File



CERTIFICATE of COMPLETION and OPENING
of a HIGHWAY for PUBLIC TRAVEL

Darlene Wyman, Town Clerk of the Town of
(Clerk's Name) (City/Town/Village) (City/Town/Village)
Athens, Vermont.
(City/Town/Village Name)

Pursuant to Title 19, V.S.A., Chapter 7, this is to certify that the following described section of
 Class 3 Highway in the Town of Athens was COMPLETED AND
(1,2,3 or 4) (City/Town/Village) (City/Town/Village Name)
 OPENED FOR PUBLIC TRAVEL on January 24, 2008.
(Month - Day) (Year)

DESCRIPTION OF RIGHT OF WAY: Beginning at Santiago Escobar's driveway
and ending 1350 feet to the large culvert replaced by the
2006 Flood.

and as shown on a Highway Map of the Town of Athens, dated
(City/Town/Village) (City/Town/Village Name)
January 28, 2008, and filed in Book 25 on page 31 of the Records of the
(Month - Day) (Year) (Book #) (Page #)
Town of Athens by the Town Clerk of said Town
(City/Town/Village) (City/Town/Village Name) (City/Town/Village) (City/Town/Village)
 incorporated herein by reference and attested to on said map by said the Town Clerk.
(City/Town/Village)

Dated at Athens, County of Windham and State of Vermont,
(City/Town/Village Name) (County Name)
 this 28th day of January, A.D., 2008.
(Date - Day) (Date - Month) (Date - Year)

BOARD
 OF
 SELECTMEN,
 ALDERMAN,
 or TRUSTEES

(Selectman/Alderman/Trustee Signature)

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Dan R. Bemis
(Selectman/Alderman/Trustee Signature)
Michael J. Bell
(Selectman/Alderman/Trustee Signature)
Shawn Staker
(Selectman/Alderman/Trustee Signature)

(Manager/Mayor Signature)
 and the Manager/Mayor of the City/Town/Village of Athens.
(City/Town/Village Name)

Athens, VERMONT January 28, 2008
(City/Town/Village Name) (Month - Day) (Year)

THE ABOVE IS A TRUE COPY OF THE DESCRIPTION OF CLASS 3 HIGHWAY COMPLETED AND
(1,2,3 or 4)
 OPENED FOR PUBLIC TRAVEL, RECORDED IN BOOK 25 ON PAGE 31 OF THE Land RECORDS
(Book #) (Page #)
 OF THE Town OF Athens ON THE 28 DAY OF January,
(City/Town/Village) (City/Town/Village Name) (Date - Day) (Date - Month)
2008, AT 11:15 O'CLOCK, A.M.
(Date - Year) (Time) (A or P)

ATTEST: Darlene Wyman
(Clerk's Name)

Town CLERK OF Athens, VERMONT
(City/Town/Village) (City/Town/Village Name)

Selectmen's Meeting
January 24,2008
7:30pm.

Present were David Bemis, Mike Bates, Tom Taylor, Darlene Wyman, Lois Sippel, Hilary Cooke, Steve Fine and Keith Clark.

David called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Mike read the Statute from Title 19, V.S.A., Chapter 7, Section 711 stating within 60 days after the examination and hearing, the Selectmen would report their findings for the recalsification of 1350 feet of Walker Road. Darlene will also record these in the Town's Land Records.

Tom made the motion to reclassify from a Class 4 road to a Class 3 road the 1350 foot section of Walker Road improved by the 2006 flood starting at Santiago Escobar's driveway to the large culvert replaced by the flood. Mike seconded. The motion carried.

Lois presentd a proposal the \$7,500.00 be raised per year in anticipation of a reappraisal.

Keith presented the Selectmen with the new contract from the Windham County Sheriff's Department. Mike made the motion the Selectmen sign the contract. Seconded by Tom. The motion carried. The Selectmen and Keith signed the contract.

The bills were reviewed and approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene Wyman
Town Clerk

Selectmen's Meeting
January 19, 2008
12:00pm

Present were David Bemis, Deane Silver, Rick Drawert, Jeff Palecki, Ivor Stevens, Amber Stevens, Mike Bates, Escobar Santiago, Eric Stevens, and Darlene Wyman.

David called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.

The Selectmen met with the landowners to discuss the reclassification of the Walker Road from a Class 4 road to a Class 3 road due to the improvements to the road in the 2006 flood. Tom measured the improved portion of the road from Santiago Escobar's driveway to the large culvert that was replaced in the 2006 flood. It measured 1350 feet.

David explained that on a Class 4 road the Town did not have to maintain the road except for the culverts. A Class 3 road would be maintained by the Town.

The road crew will maintain the road as is for now, but in future they would like to make the turn around spot on the Cooke property.

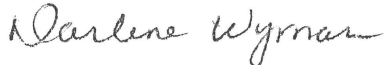
Deane Silver asked whether in case of a power outage if CVPS would be able to get to the lines on the Cooke property. The Selectmen didn't see any problems.

Mike stated that the Selectmen have until February 10 to have everything done according to the State mapping in order to keep the State Aid funds received for the Walker Road improvements.

Tom made the motion to recess the meeting until January 24 at the Town Office at 7:30pm. David seconded. So moved.

The meeting recessed at 12:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Darlene Wyman
Town Clerk

Town of Athens
56 Brookline Road
Athens, VT 05143

December 17, 2007

Dear Landowner,


The Selectmen met on December 15 to discuss a meeting for the reclassification of Walker Road.

The meeting will be held on January 19, 2008 at 12:00pm. We will meet at Santiago Escobar's driveway.

The Selectmen will meet on January 24, 2008 at 7:30pm to make a decision.

If you are interested in discussing this matter, please try to attend these meetings.

Sincerely,


Darlene Wyman
Town Clerk

cc. Stephen Fine

Hilary Cooke

Jeff Palecki

Ivor Stevens

Deane Silver

Eric Stevens

Escobar Santiago

Rick Drawert

David Bemis

Selectmen's Meeting
December 15, 2007
1:00pm

Present were Mike Bates, Darlene Wyman, Tom Taylor and David Bemis.

David called the meeting to order at 1:05pm.

The Selectmen met to discuss a meeting for reclassification of the Walker Road with the landowners. A section of approximately 2600 feet that was damaged in the 2006 flood has been upgraded. The Selectmen would like to reclassify Walker Road to a Class 3 road.

The meeting with the landowners will be held on January 19, 2008 at 12:00pm. Everyone will meet at the Santiago Escobar driveway.

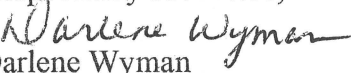
Darlene will send a notice to all the landowners and the Grafton Selectboard.

Darlene will put a notice in the Brattleboro Reformer approximately 10 days prior to the meeting.

The Selectmen will meet on January 24, 2008 to discuss the results of the meeting and make a decision.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,


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Croft, Johnathan

From: Portalupi, Alec
Sent: Thursday, December 13, 2007 2:11 PM
To: Portalupi, Alec; Dill, David
Cc: Rogers, Scott; Lewis, Sam; Gammell, Wayne; Portalupi, Alec; Croft, Johnathan
Subject: RE: Town highway emergency fund

Here's the breakdown of payments and invoices to date:

Total invoices paid to date by the town.	\$290,162.39
Total state share (90%)	\$261,146.15
Total town has already received.	\$225,547.61
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We will pay the town the remainder owed and that will have them paid in full to date including the repairs made to the class IV section.

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 Office: 802-828-3889
 Fax: 802-828-2848
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Watch for this

Need documentation from the town that they have reclassified this section of road

4 Jan 2008

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and we will process that action as soon as possible.

The second issue seems to be related to the action necessary to reclassify that portion of Walker Hill Road from Class IV to Class III. During the first week of January, VTrans will send the annual blank "certificate of highway mileage" forms to all towns asking them to fill them out, provide all necessary documentation relative to changes, sign and return the forms to VTrans by February 20th. 19 V.S.A. § 305(b) requires the following:

Annually, on or before February 10, the selectboard shall file with the town clerk a sworn statement of the description and measurements of all class 1, 2, 3, and 4 town highways and trails then in existence, including any special designation such as a throughway or scenic highway. When class 1, 2, 3, or 4 town highways, trails, or unidentified corridors are accepted, discontinued, or reclassified, a copy of the proceedings shall be filed in the town clerk's office and a copy shall be forwarded to the agency.

The actual work to upgrade the Class IV town highway to a Class III is done at the town level and is spelled out in 19 V.S.A. § 708-712 and 771-775. That effort, which is the Town's responsibility, must be completed in advance of the annual February 10th statutory deadline. So at this point, there is no paper work sitting at VTrans in regard to this upgrade or reclassification that needs any action on our part.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Dill, David
Sent: Wednesday, December 12, 2007 9:00 AM
To: Portalupi, Alec
Cc: Rogers, Scott; Lewis, Sam
Subject: FW: Town highway emergency fund

Proposed response please....some bill requires Walker Road to be upgraded to Class III? Deadline of Feb 10th?

-----Original Message-----

From: Michael Obuchowski [mailto:obie@leg.state.vt.us]
Sent: Wednesday, December 12, 2007 8:52 AM
To: Dill, David
Cc: mbates@vermontel.net
Subject: Fwd: Town highway emergency fund

Please look into this matter for the Town of Athens as soon as possible. Thank you.
Happy Holidays!

>>> michael bates <mbates@vermontel.net> 12/12/2007 6:55 AM >>>
Hi Obie

This is in regard to the bill as introduced 2007 (Sec.77 Sec.250 of No.215 of the acts of 2006). At the past few selectman meetings we've had Tom Taylor (selectman/road commissioner) to check with AOT on progress of paper work. The info we get back is that paper work has been sent to state. There is a dead line of February 10,2008. According to our town clerk we never did receive any money from the state for this bill. What I'm asking help for, is there a phone call that you could make that might get the progress of the paper work and if the Walker Road has been upgraded to class III and is on the AOT map as required by the Bill. The money may not be much but

for a small town as this, it means a lot . I want to Thank You for
this Bill and the help you've given this community. Thanks

Mike Bates
selectman/Athens