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being installed. Replacement of these signs is costly, and theft or vandalism will be punished. If members of the public see this happening, please report license plate numbers, etc. to the Police Department or the Town Administrator.

Beach signs will be set in cement, so they won't be easily removed.

The Board of Selectmen and Road Agent will schedule a work session for finalizing plans for crushing stone and for bridges to be sprayed. Jon will have prices for crushing, secondary mowing in addition to Jim Shaw mowing; sand/screen/trucking.

Although we may not need it all, the Road Agent has reserved 200 tons of salt. There will be some sand at the Transfer Station this year. It would be ideal to make up our winter sand and then do the round stone.

Selectman Danforth spoke with Dick Powers and stated that the Town would love to have a clear understanding of rules for property surrounding the Cilleyville-Bog Bridge.

Logging

Todd Donovan was next on the agenda. He owns 53 acres on the side of Beech Hill. His original goal was to create a tree farm. That is no longer the goal. He is anticipating 2½ weeks of logging. He is requesting that he be allowed to come out on the Class VI portion of Beech Hill Road.

Stage 1 would be softwood harvested

in the fall. Stage 2 would be hardwood harvested in the winter. Selectmen Gross and Danforth agreed that Beech Hill Road is very steep, even in good weather. Donovan said that his plan is basically cleaning up so that hardwood can grow. This year's logging will be primarily pulpwood. He is planning to do the logging in the winter so that minimal road wear is achieved.

The Board asked how many truckloads will come down Beech Hill Road. Donovan will get the answer from his logger. Timber bond will be required by the Town. Arch Weathers joined the conversation. He and Donovan have had initial conversation several weeks ago. Other options suggested by Weathers: Emerson's land as access, Weathers will contribute money so that the cost will be feasible.

Weathers would like to see a committee formed to set minimum standards for Class VI roads. This would provide the Board with guidelines when a resident needs to use any of our Class VI roads. Selectman Gross agreed that policy would be helpful although it probably wouldn't be completed in time to help Donovan.

Weathers stated that there are other issues such as the canopy needing to be trimmed; this would not be possible since this is a scenic highway.

Donovan will get an opinion from another logger.

DOT Project

Ronald Grandmaison, PE, project

manager for the DOT-Mitchell Brook Culvert project, presented a rendering of the new culvert and guardrail on the south side of Route 11 between the Ward property and Walter Locke's access road. Culvert is 14' by 8' with guardrail on both sides. DOT will send a Municipal Work Zone Agreement. The estimated time for completion is six months, to start in May and end in October at the latest. Traffic count was 4,900 (400 trucks).

If possible, the Town should draft a vote of approval letter. Selectman Danforth made a motion to send letter of vote of approval and sign the Municipal Work Zone Agreement. Selectman Gross seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Opening of Sealed Bids for Surplus Equipment:

Jeffrey Newcomb: \$25 for miscellaneous chains

Mark Thompson: \$662.54 for the entire lot

Selectman Danforth moved to accept the Thompson bid in the best interest of the Town. Selectman Gross seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Cemetery Trustees

Contract talks about additional trucks, yards of material. Trustees must remember that the contract is "10,500 and that they have \$11,256 in their accounts.

The Board of Selectmen will be responsible if the project runs over budget, and they want the Trustees and the contractor to be aware of this.

Plows

Jeff Newcomb stated that he does not think the surplus plows should be sold. "What did the Board do for research before putting this out to bid?" Some of the plows are not worth anything, but there are some that could be worked on and sell for approximately \$6,500.

Jeff thinks there should be two more

cone plows.

Selectman Gross spoke to the fact that the Board is limited by regulation as to how they can get rid of surplus equipment.

Town Administrator to check with Avitar about Kearsarge Telephone abatement of \$485,900.

FNRT Merrimack County

Tom Frantz received an e-mail from a bicyclist who had a problem with sand near the playground near the culvert. An FNRT work crew worked last Saturday on this area. CW Sliter Fence donated some railroad ties; the FNRT put them in place. Hopefully this will be a solution for a problem that could be a liability issue for the Town. Board and Road Agent will inspect the area.

Recreation Committee

Frantz also represented the Recreation Committee. Sign-ups for soccer are currently taking place. The Committee holds monthly meetings. The Recreation Committee will check the condition of the buoys, rope, etc. They will put them out June 1 and take them in on Labor Day weekend.

Board wishes to work with the Recreation Committee with maintenance, mowing, beach clean-up, etc. Is the Recreation Committee interested in dealing with the parks, maintenance, contracts, etc?

The Board stated that whatever the Recreation Committee is willing to do would be greatly appreciated.

At their August meeting the Recreation Committee decided not to proceed with any further process regarding the unfunded building problem.

Dog Civil Forfeiture Warrants

Selectman Danforth made a motion for town clerk to do whatever is expeditious to get the dog civil forfeiture warrants out. Selectman

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