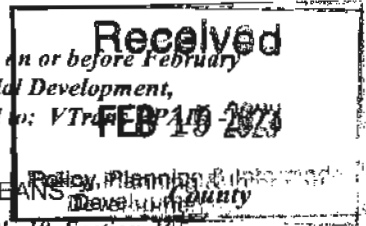


District 9
 Certcode 1001-0

**CERTIFICATE OF HIGHWAY MILEAGE
 YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 2023**

Fill out form, make and file a copy with the Town Clerk, and submit the Mileage Certificate on or before February 20, 2023 to: Vermont Agency of Transportation, Division of Policy, Planning and Intermodal Development, Mapping Section via email to: aot.mileagecertificates@vermont.gov or if necessary via mail to: VT Agency of Transportation, Mapping Section, 219 North Main Street, Barre VT 05641.



We, the members of the legislative body of ALBANY in ORLEANS County on an oath state that the mileage of highways, according to Vermont Statutes Annotated, Title 19, Section 303, 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
Class 2	16.040			16.040	0.000
Class 3	30.56		0.06	30.50	0.000
State Highway	6.722			6.722	0.000
Total	53.322			53.262	0.000
* Class 1 Lane	0.000			0.000	
* Class 4	18.22	0.055		18.275	0.000
* Legal Trail	1.25	0.005		1.255	

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

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Mileage totals added by P. DeAndrea VTrans 3/2/2023

PART II - INFORMATION AND DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES SHOWN ABOVE.

- NEW HIGHWAYS:** Please attach Selectmen's "Certificate of Completion and Opening".
- DISCONTINUED:** Please attach SIGNED copy of proceedings (minutes of meeting).
 0.005 mi CL3 TH-31
~~15 feet~~ of Locke Drive discontinued to Legal Trail (LT-5)
- RECLASSIFIED/REMEASURED:** Please attach SIGNED copy of proceedings (minutes of meeting).
 0.055 mi CL3 TH-31
~~316.85 ft~~ of Locke Drive reclassified to Class 4
- SCENIC HIGHWAYS:** Please attach a copy of order designating/discontinuing Scenic Highways.

Change from ft to miles and added notes by P. DeAndrea VTrans 3/2/2023

IF THERE ARE NO CHANGES IN MILEAGE: Place an X in the box and sign below.

PART III - SIGNATURES - PLEASE SIGN.

Signatures of Selectmen/ Aldermen/ Trustees:

[Handwritten signatures]

Signature of T/C/V Clerk: *Debra Ann Deffney* Date Filed: 2/8/2023

Please sign ORIGINAL and return it for Transportation signature.

AGENCY OF TRANSPORTATION APPROVAL: Signed copy will be returned to T/C/V Clerk.

APPROVED:

Johnathan Croft
 Representative, Agency of Transportation

DATE: 4/26/2023

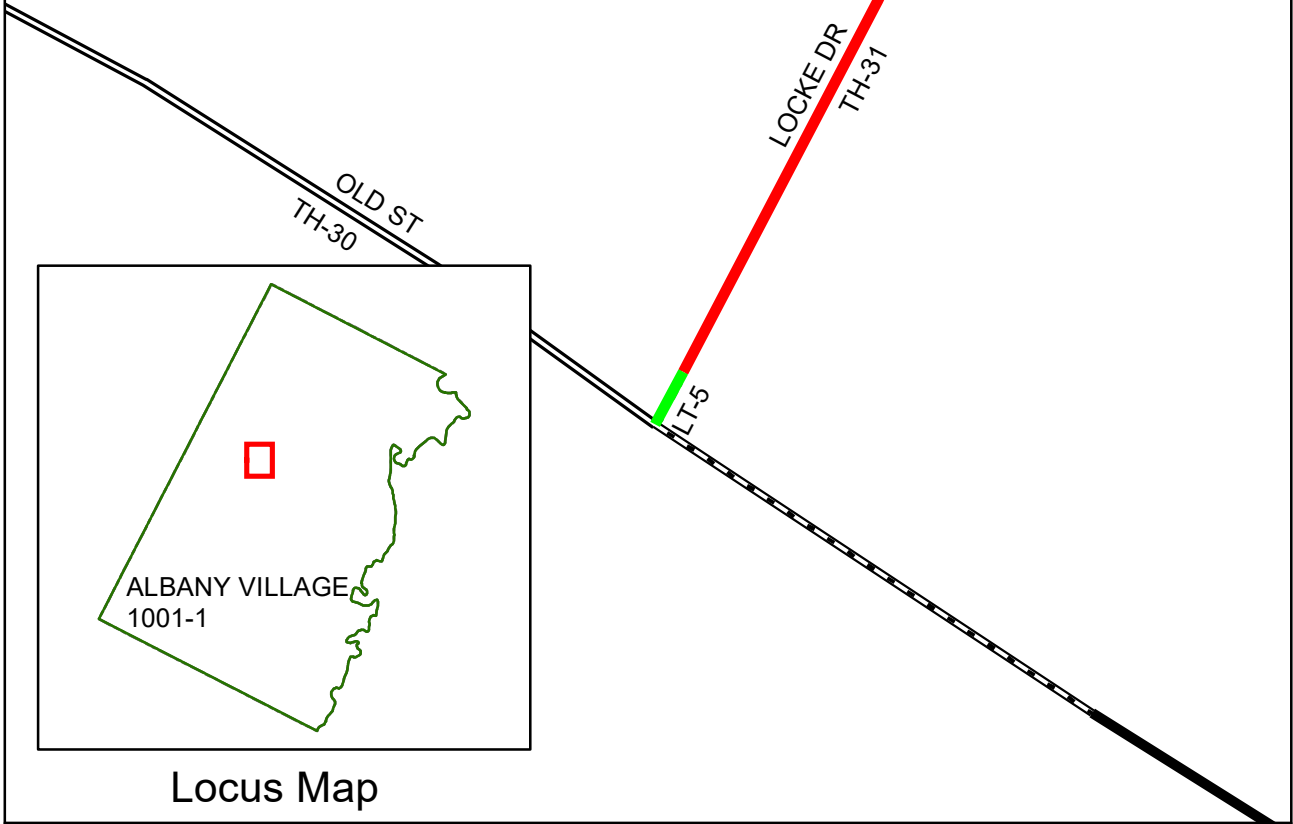
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(LT-5 from 0 mi to 0.005 mi)

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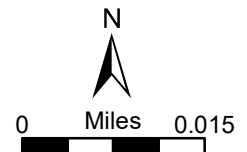
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Mileage Certificate Changes 2023
ALBANY VILLAGE TH-31

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Vermont Agency of Transportation -- March 3, 2023

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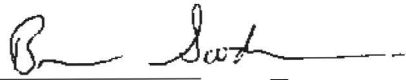
**Notice of Hearing and Site Inspection
Discontinuance of Portion of Locke Drive Road (T.H. 31)**

The Selectboard of the Town of Albany hereby gives notice to the persons named below as owners or persons interested in lands and rights that may be affected by a decision of the Selectboard to discontinue a portion of Locke Drive (Town Highway No. 31) from the intersection of Old Street, northerly 15 feet. The Selectboard intends that if this portion of Locke Drive is discontinued, it will be designated as a Town Trail pursuant to 19 V.S.A. § 775.

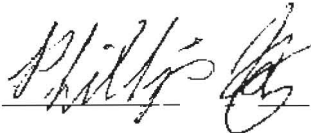
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As required by 19 V.S.A. §709, 30 days' notice of this site inspection and hearing is being provided by certified mail to each of the persons owning or interested in lands through which this highway may pass or abut, listed below, as well as the Albany Planning Commission, and the Commissioner of the Vermont Department of Forests and Parks. A copy will be posted in the office of the Albany Town Clerk, and published in the Chronicle not less than 10 days before the time set for the hearing.

Dated at Albany, Vermont this 6th day of December, 2022.



Brian Goodridge, Chair



Phillip Beaudry

Normand Inkel

Albany Town Clerk's Office
Received for Record
December 6 A.D. 2022
at 7 o'clock 25 minutes PM
and Recorded in Book 10 Page 14
at Land Records.

Attest:

Albany Town Clerk

**Notice of Hearing and Site Inspection
Reclassification of Portion of Locke Drive Road (T.H. 31)**

The Selectboard of the Town of Albany hereby gives notice to the persons named below as owners or persons interested in lands and rights that may be affected by a decision of the Selectboard to reclassify, from Class 3 to Class 4, that portion of Locke Drive (Town Highway No. 31) from the Intersection of New Street, southerly to a point 15 feet from the intersection of Old Street.

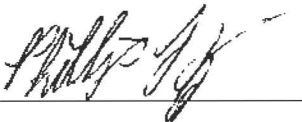
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**TOWN OF ALBANY, VERMONT
ORDER OF DISCONTINUANCE OF A PORTION OF
LOCKE DRIVE (TOWN HIGHWAY 31)
AND DESIGNATION OF THIS PORTION AS A LEGAL TRAIL**

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2023, the Town of Albany Selectboard, on its own motion, initiated proceedings to consider discontinuing a portion of Locke Drive (T.H. 31) from the intersection of Old Street (T.H. 30), northerly fifteen (15) feet; and

WHEREAS, notices of the time and date for examining the premises and hearing persons interested were sent in accordance with 19 V.S.A. §§709 and 775 by mailing notice via certified mail to each interested person at least thirty days in advance, by giving notice to the Albany Planning Commission and the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation, by posting a copy of the notice in the office of the Albany Town Clerk, and by causing a copy of the notice to be published in the Chronicle, a local newspaper of general circulation in the area, not less than ten days before the time set for the hearing; and,

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2023, the Selectboard conducted an examination of the premises and held a public hearing where it took testimony regarding whether the discontinuance of this portion of Locke Drive would serve the public good, necessity, and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Albany;

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon the inspection and the evidence presented at the hearing, the Albany Selectboard makes the following findings:

1. Locke Drive (T.H. 31) is a Class 3 town highway running from the intersection of Old Street (T.H. 30), approximately 0.06 miles (\pm 317 ft.) to the intersection of New Street (T.H. 27), as depicted on the plan titled "Vermont General Highway Map Village of Albany," prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation and dated February 10, 2018.

2. Residents owning property on Locke Drive have brought forth complaints regarding excessive through traffic on Locke Drive, with drivers using Locke Road as a shortcut between Old Street and New Street.

3. Many vehicles travel Locke Drive at a speed not appropriate to the neighborhood's residential character, creating unsafe conditions and conflicts with pedestrians and adjoining property owners.

4. Locke Drive is popular with Albany residents for walking. As a result, residents have expressed a desire to retain public pedestrian access over Locke Drive while prohibiting through traffic.

5. Discontinuing the fifteen (15) foot portion of Locke Drive northerly from the intersection of Old Street and designating it as a legal trail under 19 V.S.A. §775 will allow the Town to retain the right-of-way for pedestrian traffic and erect a barrier to prevent motor vehicle through traffic

on Locke Drive.

6. None of the abutting property owners, other Albany residents, the Albany Planning Commission, or the Vermont Department of Forest, Parks, and Recreation have provided any objection to the proposed discontinuance of this portion of Locke Drive.

7. No party will be entitled to damages due to the discontinuance of this portion of Locke Drive. Damages are not available in the case of a discontinuance because the abutting property owners are not relinquishing or being deprived of property rights.

WHEREFORE, based on these findings, the Selectboard concludes that discontinuance of that portion of Locke Drive (T.H. 31) from the intersection of Old Street (T.H. 30) and proceeding northerly fifteen (15) feet will serve the public good, necessity, and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Albany; and

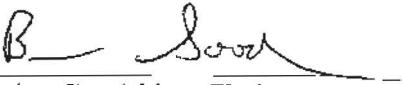
WHEREFORE, pursuant to 19 V.S.A. §710, the Selectboard hereby Orders that the above-described portion of Locke Drive (T.H. 31) from the intersection of Old Street (T.H. 30) and proceeding northerly fifteen (15) feet shall be discontinued; and

WHEREFORE, pursuant to 19 V.S.A. §775, the Selectboard further Orders that the above-described portion of Locke Drive (T.H. 31) shall be designated as a legal trail.

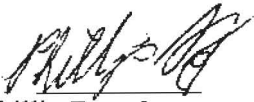
This Order and its incorporated findings and a copy of the minutes of the Selectboard's January 17, 2023, hearing shall be filed with the Albany Town Clerk for recording. A copy of this Order shall also be mailed, via first-class mail, to each person who received written notice of the Selectboard's January 17, 2023, examination and hearing.

DATED at Albany, Vermont, this 7 day of February 2023.

TOWN OF ALBANY
SELECTBOARD



Brian Goodridge, Chair



Phillip Beaudry

Normand Inkel

Albany Town Clerk's Office
Received for Record
February 7 A.D. 2023
at 7 o'clock 30 minutes P M
and Recorded in Book 10 Page 21022
at Land Records.

Attest:


Albany Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ALBANY, VERMONT
ORDER OF RECLASSIFICATION OF
A PORTION OF LOCKE DRIVE (TOWN HIGHWAY 31)**

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2023, the Town of Albany Selectboard, on its own motion, initiated proceedings to consider reclassifying a portion of Locke Drive (T.H. 31) from the intersection of New Street (T.H. 27), southerly to a point fifteen (15) feet from the intersection of Old Street (T.H. 30); and

WHEREAS, notices of the time and date for examining the premises and hearing persons interested were sent in accordance with 19 V.S.A. §§709 and 775 by mailing notice via certified mail to each interested person at least thirty days in advance, by giving notice to the Albany Planning Commission, by posting a copy of the notice in the office of the Albany Town Clerk, and by causing a copy of the notice to be published in the Chronicle, a local newspaper of general circulation in the area, not less than ten days before the time set for the hearing; and,

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2023, the Selectboard conducted an examination of the premises and held a public hearing where it took testimony regarding whether the reclassification of this portion of Locke Drive would serve the public good, necessity, and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Albany;

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon the inspection and the evidence presented at the hearing, the Albany Selectboard makes the following findings:

1. Locke Drive (T.H. 31) is a Class 3 town highway running from the intersection of Old Street (T.H. 30), approximately 0.06 miles (\pm 317 ft.) to the intersection of New Street (T.H. 27), as depicted on the plan titled "Vermont General Highway Map Village of Albany," prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation and dated February 10, 2018.
2. Although Locke Drive is classified as a Class 3 town highway, the Town has historically provided only minimal summer and winter maintenance. The Town's larger modern plow trucks have particular difficulty navigating the Old Street and New Street intersections, hindering the Town's ability to keep the roadway open in the winter.
3. Reconfiguring these intersections and upgrading Locke Drive to full Class 3 specifications would be a significant expense to the Town. The Town would also be obligated to provide full maintenance, including plowing during the winter, at a significant annual cost.
4. Reclassification of this section of Locke Drive from the intersection of New Street (T.H. 27), southerly to a point fifteen (15) feet from the intersection of Old Street (T.H. 30) to Class 4 would relieve the Town of Albany of its obligation to upgrade and provide winter maintenance for this portion of Locke Drive, reducing the potential burden on Albany taxpayers.
5. None of the abutting property owners, other Albany residents, or the Albany Planning Commission have provided any objection to the proposed reclassification of this portion of Locke

Drive.

6. No party will be entitled to damages due to the reclassification of this portion of Locke Drive. Damages are not available in the case of a reclassification because the abutting property owners are not relinquishing or being deprived of property rights.

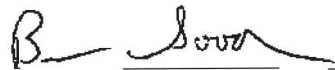
WHEREFORE, based on these findings, the Selectboard concludes that reclassification of the portion of Locke Drive (T.H. 31) from the intersection of New Street (T.H. 27), southerly to a point fifteen (15) feet from the intersection of Old Street (T.H. 30) will serve the public good, necessity, and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Albany; and

WHEREFORE, pursuant 19 V.S.A. §710, the Selectboard hereby Orders that the portion of Locke Drive (T.H. 31) from the intersection of New Street (T.H. 27), southerly to a point fifteen (15) feet from the intersection of Old Street (T.H. 30) shall be reclassified from Class 3 to Class 4.

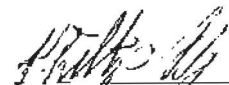
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DATED at Albany, Vermont, this 7 day of February 2023.

TOWN OF ALBANY
SELECTBOARD



Brian Goodridge, Chair



Phillip Beaudry

Normand Inkel

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Attest:


Albany Town Clerk

Locke Drive Road Site Visit: January 17, 2023 at 6:15pm.

Attendees Present: Andre Lamarche, Tracy Lamarche, Paige Horner, Brian Goodridge, Normand Inkel, Phillip Beaudry, Terri Campbell, Chris Roy- Newport Daily Express.

The group congregated at the intersection of Locke Drive Road and Old Street. The Selectboard members explained how they want to discontinue vehicle usage of the first 15' of Locke Drive, a Class 3 road, from the edge of the Old Street ROW (right of way) heading north and reclassify that section as a trail for pedestrian use. The remaining approximately 300' of Locke Drive would be reclassified as a Class 4 road. Removable safety barriers would be placed across the inner portion of the 15' trail, should a need arise, that would require vehicle re-routing due to any traffic emergency on VT-14. Also, a sign stating *No Outlet* would need to be placed on the New Street side. Tracy Lamarche expressed her concerns how the slope of the road and the trees contribute to the blind intersection, which would now be eliminated with the reclassification of the initial 15'. The width of the Class 4 section would remain unchanged from its original layout. Andre Lamarche asked Brian if the town would supply gravel if needed, and he advised the town's Class 4 road policy would apply to that section.

The site visit concluded at 6:25pm, and all participants relocated to the Town Clerk office for the hearing.

Special Hearing for Locke Drive Road – Discontinuance and Reclassification: January 17, 2023

Attendees Present: Josh Pilbin, Andre Lamarche, Tracy Lamarche, Paige Horner, Brian Goodridge, Normand Inkel, Phillip Beaudry, Debbie Geoffroy, Tonya Coderre, Richard Geoffroy, Terri Campbell, Chris Roy- Newport Daily Express.

Locke Drive Road Hearing called to order at 6:30pm by Brian Goodridge, Selectboard Chair.

It was noted that Locke Drive Road has been a Class 3 road since the early 1900's, however recent concerns about driver/pedestrian safety issues were discussed at a prior Selectboard meeting. That discussion leads the Selectboard to request a discontinuance of vehicle use for part of the road so no thru traffic can use it and reclassify the remainder of the road from a Class 3 to Class 4. Brian noted that exceptions will be allowed for water line access, vehicle support maintenance, and pedestrian usage. People speed thru the road, which is a single lane, and with a blind corner on Old Street. Brian noted the town would provide gravel in accordance with its Class 4 road policy, however no snowplow support. The bordering landowners (Pilbin and Lamarche) would need to request permission of the Selectboard for them to maintain it in winter with plowing. Locke Drive Road is listed as TH 31 on Albany's State highway maps and is .06/mile or 317' in length. The Selectboard supports discontinuing the beginning 15' of the Class 3 road from the edge of the town right of way on Old Street heading north, to be a trail, with the remainder of the 302' heading north to the New Street intersection, reclassified to a Class 4 road. The width of the road remains unchanged per the original layout.

Phil Beaudry asked for the record if anyone present is opposed to these changes, and no raised hands nor voices were noted. Brian advised that per guidelines submitted by the Town's attorney, the Selectboard has 60 days from today to submit a written decision on the matter.

The Selectboard also received a letter from the State of Vermont, Department of Forest, Parks & Recreation dated January 16, 2023 that was entered into the meeting. They acknowledged receiving the

petition to discontinue a portion of Locke Drive Road and encourages towns to keep the highways as public right of way for emergency, recreational, forestry, agriculture, and other purposes. They reviewed the petition and have no comments on the proposed discontinuance, nor will any staff be participating in the public hearing. As requested, their letter was recorded as part of the official proceedings on this matter.

It was again noted that there will be some type of barrier placed on the discontinued portion of the road that can be removed if needed for vehicle rerouting due to any emergency issue on VT-14 in the village.

Brian asked if there were any other questions, and none recorded. He advised that within 60 days after this hearing, a report of the findings must be submitted to the Town Clerk. A survey is not required as long as the highway can be officially identified.

A motion to adjourn was made by Brian Goodridge; seconded by Phillip Beaudry. Meeting adjourned at 6:39 P.M.

Attest: Terri Campbell *Terri Campbell* Dated: 1/18/2023

Albany Town Clerk's Office
Received for Record
January 18 A.D. 2023
at 3 o'clock 00 minutes P M
and Recorded in Book 10 Page 15 & 16
at Land Records.
Attest: *Debra Ann Deffney*
Albany Town Clerk