

CERTIFICATE OF HIGHWAY MILEAGE FOR YEAR ENDING FEB. 10, 19⁸⁴

Fill out 4 copies, file one with Town Clerk, and mail 3 to Agency of Trans. before February 10, 19⁸⁴

► IF NO CHANGES IN MILEAGE, OMIT PART I, CHECK BOX IN PART II, AND SIGN PART III. ◀

PART I

Guilford 2

We, the Selectmen, Trustees or Aldermen of _____ on oath state that we have carefully measured all the highways in this town and find that the mileage of highways, according to Title 19, V.S.A., Sec. 15, amended 1973, Act No. 63, in this town for the year ending Feb. 10, 19⁸⁴ is as follows:

	TOWN HIGHWAYS				STATE HIGHWAYS	TOTAL EXCLUDING CLASS 4
	CLASS 1	CLASS 2	CLASS 3	CLASS 4		
PREVIOUS MILEAGE AS SHOWN FEBRUARY 10, 19 ⁸³	---	17.250	47.500	12.600	10.683	75.433
MILEAGE ADDED SINCE FEBRUARY 10, 19 ⁸³ ACCORDING TO STATUTE. EXPLAIN UNDER (1) BELOW.			0.850			0.850
SUB TOTAL	---	17.250	48.350	12.600	10.683	76.283
MILEAGE SUBTRACTED SINCE FEBRUARY 10, 19 ⁸³ ACCORDING TO STATUTE. EXPLAIN UNDER (2) AND (3).				0.850		
TOTAL HIGHWAY MILEAGE FEB. 10, 19 ⁸⁴	---	17.250	48.350	11.750	10.683	76.283
SCENIC HIGHWAY MILEAGE (19 VSA 1019)						

DURING THE PAST YEAR THE FOLLOWING CHANGES HAVE OCCURED:

(1) We hereby certify that the following new highways, as substantiated by the attached "Selectmen's Certificate of Completion" have been added:

(2) We hereby certify that the following highways have been discontinued according to statute and are substantiated by the attached copy of the proceedings.

(3) We hereby certify that the following highways have been reclassified/remeasured and are substantiated by the attached copy of the proceedings.
#49 from the intersection with Bassett Hill northeast to #49 presently Called Class #3.

(4) We hereby certify that the following highways have been designated or discontinued as "Town Scenic Highways", and are substantiated by the attached copy of the proceedings.

PART II CHECK BOX IF NO CHANGES IN MILEAGE.

WE HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE TOWN/VILLAGE/CITY OF Windham
HAD NO CHANGES IN HIGHWAY MILEAGE FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 19⁸⁴.

PART III

SELECTMEN
Signatures

Alfred W. Franke
Charles P. Wade
Peter P. Huber

I, Maire S. Carpenter Clerk of Guilford
hereby certify this record of highway mileage is filed and recorded at this office on 2-14, 1984.

T.A. 301-IM 7-82

Attest: Maire S. Carpenter
Town Clerk

Rev. 7-82

Approved: J. E. Lundy Feb 16, 1984
Representative, Agency of Transportation Date

Note: Applicable section of Vermont Statutes is printed on reverse side.

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Selectmen's Hearing - August 22, 1983

The hearing opened at 8:00 P.M. with Alfred Franklin, Charles P. Wilde and Peter Kerber present.

Purpose; To consider reclassification of the Class 4 portion of East Mountain Road (Between the so-called Brandel place and the Walendy Place)

Wilde read the legal notice printed in the Reformer and posted in three places (see attached)

Planning Commission Report with their conclusion on the matter attached.

- Chairman Evans and William Fitch said they had viewed the road
- Burrows gave reasons for their opposition to reclassification as follows: Expense, benefits a limited number of people, no town obligation.
- Charles Blow, an adjacent landowner said he bought his land with hopes someday the road would be improved. He said he is hauling in lumber and has some difficulty traversing the road.
- Erwin Blow agreed and said he also plans to build and would like to travel from Brattleboro to their lot and not have to drive through Massachusetts
- Priscilla Briard-Muscillo asked how wide the improvements would be, will sewerage run on her land and should she move?
- Howe said \$8,500.00 estimate far too low. Blasting required etc. He and his wife expressed opposition to reclassification.
- Burrows said landowners will ask for wider road later. Selectmen plan to gravel a 12' road with turn-outs.
- Harvey Cutting said one reason Selectmen are in favor of the improvements is that Rea will pay for 3/4 of the cost. He said the proposed improvements might help him plow East Mtn. Road and Bassett Hill.
- Fitch said the Selectmens plans are haphazard and the new road will wash out. He said wait until homes are built.
- Evans said the Selectmen should hire State Highway engineers for assistance regardless of cost and also said selectmen's plans are insufficient.
- Burrows said the Planning Commission has no objections to the improvements but Rea should pay 100% of the cost.
- Cutting said the land will be developed someday and then the town might be forced to bear the full cost of improvements
- Kerber said landowners bought their land with knowledge the road is Class 4 and they shouldn't expect higher classification.
- Avis Phillips said she is opposed to reclassification and said selectmen are "helping a developer". She asked if Rea would pay more if the estimate is low. She also said town taxes will go up if the road is reclassified.
- Jeffrey Morse, Attorney for Rea, disagreed and stated Rea has said \$6,200 is all she will contribute.

- Wilde said the town has previously approved similar arrangements in two cases- Miller Road and the Houghton/Franklin road
- Wilde said Cutting has done minor repair to the road in the past at the request of the Howes and Vermont State Police.
- Lee Stone asked for estimated cost of maintenance in future years. Wilde said it is hard to predict because of weather extremes.
- Morse said Rea has four lots for sale on the Class 4 road
- Wilde said the town has some obligation to improve the road because past town officials 40 or 50 years ago kept town highway mileage high to get a few more state-aid dollars. He said then was the time to remove town road status when noone used the road and land was worth little more than the timber on it. He thought the "buck-passing" should stop.
- Jesse Stinchfield asked where \$8,500 estimate originated
- Wilde and Cutting explained (culverts, cost of gravel, labor, bulldozer, etc.)
- Carpenter asked why is it wrong to improve and maintain the road? People on the road are paying property taxes and deserve some services in return. She said the people opposed to the project are "sitting pretty" on town-maintained roads and they are unfair in denying others the same rights. Many people pay for school taxes and have no children as well as many people on dirt roads pay for paved roads.
- Stone asked if selectmen petitioned for reclassification and selectmen replied no; that it was requested and they agreed to hold a hearing
- Franklin said if the Blow's taxes rise due to buildings, they should expect and will receive road improvements.
- Wilde said the town has a moral obligation and perhaps a legal one also, to reclassify and maintain the road. He stated despite the definition of a class 4 road in highway Act 63, it is still a town road and the town has accepted state-aid funds on it for many years in the past. He said Carpenter's statement above was stated very well and taxpayers on the road deserve some services. He also disagreed with Evans and Fitch in their contention the selectmen are proposing a wasteful and haphazard improvement. He said the selectmen's and Cutting's proposal was made with respect to drainage, culvert size, etc. He expressed respect for Cutting's ability to estimate and construct roads.

- Motion - Wilde then moved the selectmen reclassify the Class 4 section of East mountain Road to Class 3 with the following conditions:
1. A total improvement cost not to exceed \$8,500.00
 2. Rea will pay a maximum of \$6,200.00 of the total cost.
 3. Rea will give permission to place culverts where necessary.


- Kerber said he has improved several places in his lifetime and has never asked a town for help. Said a limit should be placed on Class 4 town work and that the town has no legal responsibility for a Class 4 road
- Franklin said he is not an authority on road costs but respects

Cutting's opinion. He said he felt \$8,500.00 would make the road plowable and might assist in winter maintenance on surrounding roads. He agreed with Wilde concerning acceptance of state-aid funds and partial town obligation.

-Franklin seconded the motion and so voted 2 to 0 with Kerber abstaining. Franklin and Wilde assured Kerber he had a right to vote in the May to reflect his opinion.

The selectmen assured Morse the work will be done in late summer or early fall in 1983.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.


Charles P. Wilde, Clerk