## **PUBLIC HEARING – December 13, 2021**

Present: Margo Connors, Richard Bielefield, Chris Ellms

Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Hoyle & Tanner Josif Bicja PE, Town Engineer Red McCarthy, Road Agent Douglas Glover, Karen Krone, Reg Tarr, Peter Feick, Brian Beaulieu, Cathy Cushing, Amy Welch, Bob

Benson, Joe Cushing Minnie Cushing, Rick Quintal, Clifford Hughes

Zoom: Scott Gilbert, State of NH DOT Tony Puntin

The presentation was to advise the public of the project early in the design process, listen to concerns. Gather public input and share project development process and alternatives.

Josif Bicja from Hoyle & Tanner presented their companies experience with similar projects including a replacement truss project in the Town of Carroll and a rehab in Henniker. The NHDOT State Aid Bridge Program provides funding of 80% State & Federal and Town 20%.

Alternatives are: Do nothing, Bridge Removal, Bridge rehabilitation and bridge replacement. The options of repairing the existing bridge 4.59 million or replacing with a new truss bridge 3.65 million were presented.

The audience was encouraged to ask questions throughout. They included the color, location, height of roadway, covered bridge possibility, length of construction bid process, payments and financial workings.

General consensus was to replace the existing bridge with a truss bridge.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gaudette Administrative Assistant