

TOWN OF EAST MONTPELIER

NOTICE OF INSPECTION AND PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE RECLASSIFICATION OF JOHNSON ROAD AND FOSTER ROAD AS WELL AS THE DISCONTINUANCE OF TOWN HIGHWAYS #9 AND #10

The Selectboard of the Town of East Montpelier hereby gives notice pursuant to 19 VSA § 701 et seq. of a public hearing to consider reclassification of the following portions of town roads:

1. A portion of Johnson Road (TH #24) from Class 4 to Legal Trail. Johnson Road is 0.40 miles in length with a three-rod right-of-way. The first 0.18 miles from its intersection with Dodge Road is Class 3; the remaining 0.22 miles to its terminus is Class 4. The portion of TH #24 proposed for reclassification is described on the “Vermont General Highway Map – Town of East Montpelier” prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation, last updated in 2012.
2. A portion of Foster Road (a section of TH #11) from Class 4 to Legal Trail. TH #11 runs from Center Road to VT Rte. 14 N and includes Sibley Road, Foster Road, a portion of Chickering Road, a portion of Guyette Road, and Factory Street. Foster Road is 1.11 miles in length with a three-rod right-of-way. The first 0.51 miles from its intersection with Sibley & Putnam Roads is Class 3; the remaining 0.60 miles to its terminus at Chickering Road is Class 4. The portion of TH #11 proposed for reclassification is described on the “Vermont General Highway Map – Town of East Montpelier” prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation, last updated in 2012.

The Selectboard of the Town of East Montpelier hereby gives notice pursuant to 19 VSA § 701 et seq. of a public hearing to consider the discontinuance of the following town roads:

1. TH #9 (also known as Phineas Road), a short spur road off of Sodom Pond Road that serves as the driveway for the home located at 980 Sodom Pond Road. TH #9 is currently a Class 4 town highway, 0.20 miles in length with a three-rod right-of-way located entirely on the property of Richard & Linda Barstow. TH #9 is described on the “Vermont General Highway Map – Town of East Montpelier” prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation, last updated in 2012.
2. TH #10, a short spur road off of Sodom Pond Road that serves as the driveway for the home located at 894 Sodom Pond Road. TH #10 is currently a Class 4 town highway, 0.10 miles in length with a three-rod right-of-way located entirely on the property of C. Bruce & Malinda Johnson. TH #10 is described on the “Vermont General Highway Map – Town of East Montpelier” prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation, last updated in 2012.

This hearing for the proposed reclassifications and discontinuances will be held on Monday, February 17, 2014, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the East Montpelier Municipal Office Building.

Further notice is hereby given that on **Saturday, February 15, 2014, the Selectboard shall conduct site inspections of the roads proposed for reclassification or discontinuance on the following schedule:**

1. **9:00 a.m. at the Class 3/Class 4 line of Johnson Road** (the line is approximately two-tenths of a mile south of the intersection of Johnson Road and Dodge Road)
2. **9:30 a.m. or at the conclusion of the Johnson Road site inspection, whichever comes later, at the Class 3/Class 4 line of Foster Road** (the line is approximately one-half mile east of the intersection of Sibley, Putnam, and Foster Roads)
3. **10:00 a.m. or at the conclusion of the Foster Road site inspection, whichever comes later, at the intersection of TH #10 and Sodom Pond Road** (the drive entrance for 894 Sodom Pond Road)
4. **10:15 a.m. or at the conclusion of the TH #10 site inspection, whichever comes later, at the intersection of TH #9 and Sodom Pond Road** (the drive entrance for 980 Sodom Pond Road)

For more information, please contact Bruce Johnson, East Montpelier Town Administrator, at 802-223-3313 x 204 or eastmontadmin@comcast.net.