Minutes of the Roxbury Selectmen meeting April 30, 2018

In attendance: Selectmen Mark Funk, Tim O’Brien and Jim Rousmaniere; Jennifer Casaitis, Ben Drugg and Mike Gomarlo of the Monadnock Funding Committee.

The meeting opened at 6:30 p.m.

The selectmen heard from representatives of the citizens committee that is working on possible revisions to the cost apportionment formula that generates funding of the operating budget of the Monadnock School District. The committee representatives generally described the function and purpose of the citizens group and spelled out a rough schedule of deliberations and events leading to a formal presentation to the Monadnock School Board later in the year. As it is currently contemplated, a public hearing of a proposed new formula will be held in Town Hall in July, possibly July 16.

At the request of Town Clerk Robin Buffum, the Town Clerk’s office will be open on the Wednesday following the May 28 Memorial Day holiday instead of the Tuesday following that holiday.

Selectman O’Brien reported that the selectmen will mail to Brian Allen of AKJK Wireless a building permit for minor changes to a cell tower in town.

The selectmen took note of a letter from Mary Ann Kristiansen of 80 Houghton Ledge Road and Shari Tenofsky and Leon Beteau of 45 Houghton Ledge Road regarding the planned deposit of excavated materials from the Department of Transportation’s Route 9 construction project on abutting property at 65 Houghton Ledge Road. The letter asserted that the planned deposit would violate the town’s zoning ordinance. The Selectmen agreed that the proposed fill operations were extraordinary in size and therefore should come before the Zoning Board of Adjustment before any permit for the deposit can be considered. The selectmen agreed to so notify the owner of 65 Houghton Ledge Road and instruct the property owner to get in touch with the chairman of the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Copies of the letter will be sent to Zoning Board Chairman Jessica Payton, Mark Moran of the Department of Transportation and also R.S. Audley (the contractor on the project).

The selectmen discussed the matter of costs and compensation for winter and summer road maintenance services. It was agreed that, following further research and deliberations, those services will be put out to bid.

The minutes from the meeting of April 23 were approved subject to revision.

Selectman Funk filled out the manifest; the manifest was signed by all selectmen. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.