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TOWN OF BROOKLINE, VERMONT
MINIMUM ROAD SPECIFICATIONS

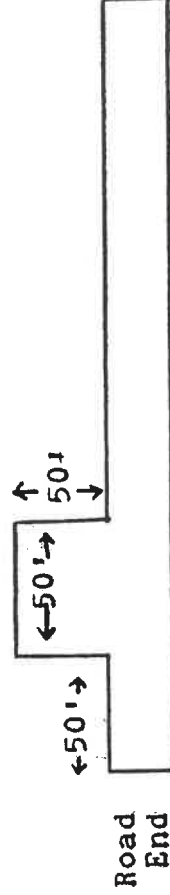
Whereas, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Brookline, Vermont, have found and determined that the public good, necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the municipality of the Town of Brookline, Vermont dictate that proposed roads, to be accepted by the Town as town highways, should conform to certain basic and minimum standards in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE that the minimum specifications of roads to be accepted by the Town of Brookline as town highways be as follows:

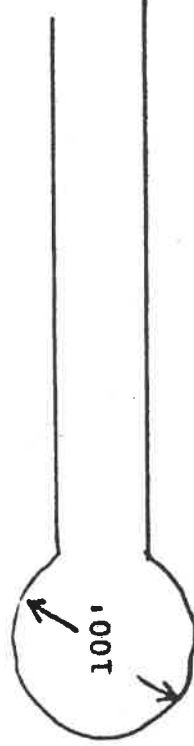
1. Width of right of way to be fifty (50) feet.
2. Length of road to be at least six hundred (600) feet.
3. Road to have a minimum eighteen (18) inch gravel base and, if not paved, at least three (3) inches of crushed gravel surface.
4. The road, or traveled portion of the right of way, shall not be less than twenty-four (24) feet wide, with two (2) foot shoulders on each side.
5. Culverts shall be not less than fifteen (15) inches in diameter, or larger as required.
6. Driveways and secondary approaches shall enter the road at a 90° angle, shall be level for twenty (20) feet before entering the road, and shall be provided with proper ditching and culverts to allow proper water flow.
7. To ensure proper drainage of the road, so that water will not pond, ditches shall be dug as needed on both sides of the road; and culverts, underdrains and tile as needed shall be installed. Culverts and underdrains shall be marked by treated wood guideposts. Outfalls for all drainage shall be at locations approved by and be acceptable to those persons on whose property the outfall drains, as evidenced by written consents, and to the Selectmen of the Town. Slopes shall be seeded, fertilized and mulched as needed.
8. The traveled portion of the right of way shall be at least ten (10) feet from the edge of the right of way.
9. The right of way must be cleared of all tree stumps, brush and trash for a minimum distance of twenty (20) feet on both sides of the centerline, or a greater distance if needed, to facilitate proper snow removal.
10. No dead end roads shall be permitted without a suitable turn around constructed to all other specifications herein and as utilizing

One of the following alternatives:

- a. beginning at a point on the road a distance of fifty (50) feet from the end of the road, a perpendicular leg of road is to be constructed for a length of fifty (50) feet and a width of fifty (50) feet, per sketch:



- b. a cul-de-sac with a diameter of one hundred (100) feet, per sketch:




All trees and brush shall be cleared from the center of all cul-de-sacs.

11. The center line grade of the road shall not exceed 10%, except for short stretches which shall have written approval of the Board of Selectmen.
 12. Curves shall not have a radius of less than one hundred (100) feet.
 13. All telephone and power poles shall be at least twenty-four (24) feet from the centerline of the road.
 14. Adequate guard rails and posts shall be installed where necessary.
 15. All bridges shall be approved by the Vermont Highway Department and by the Board of Selectmen and shall have a traveled portion at least twenty-four (24) feet in width.
 16. On a road where excavating, grading, filling or construction is to be done in a river or stream or on the banks thereof, consultation and prior approval of the Water Resources Board and the Fish and Game Department must be obtained.
 17. All costs in connection with the dedication and acceptance of proposed roads as town highways (or proposals to upgrade Class Four town highways), including the construction of the road itself, surveying, the preparation of Easement Deeds, title examination and other legal expenses incurred in connection with the approving and acceptance of the roads shall be paid by the developer and/or others owning property abutting the proposed road.
- A title search and copy of survey of the proposed road shall be presented to the Board of Selectmen of the Town prior to acceptance of the proposed road.

19. All rights of way, including drainage and sloping rights outside the right of way, shall be conveyed to the Town of Brookline by good and marketable Warranty Deed of Easement.
20. There shall be sufficient tax base on the properties abutting the proposed road to warrant, in the judgement of the Board of Selectmen of the Town, Town maintenance of the road prior to acceptance of the proposed road.
21. Any deviation from these minimum specifications must be approved by the Board of Selectmen prior to the commencement of construction.
22. Even though specifications are met, the Board of Selectmen is under no obligation to take over new roads or upgrade existing roads.
23. The Board of Selectmen reserve the right to change, modify, suspend or enlarge minimum road specifications without notice.

Dated at Brookline, Vermont this 17th day of July, 1985.

Board of Selectmen
Town of Brookline


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