

**TOWN OF LINCOLNVILLE  
SELECT BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 6, 2025**

**Present:** Ladleah Dunn, Mike Ray, Robyn Tarantino, and Steve Hand

**Excused:** Keryn Laite Jr.

Northport Select Board present: Jeanine Tucker, Breanna Pinkham-Bebb, and Molly Schauffler

Others present: Amon Morse, James Kossuth, Martin Rooney, Lyric Deagle, and David Kinney

**1. Joint meeting with Northport Select Board**

Jeanine Tucker, Chair of the Northport Select Board welcomed all in attendance and self-introductions were made.

Martin Rooney and Lyric Deagle provided a brief overview and answered questions regarding what is ongoing and contemplated including:

- MaineDOT has two Route 1 projects in our area under consideration. WIN 28628.00 begins at the Camden/Lincolnvillle Town Line and extends northerly 2.38 miles (to approximately the Rt. 173 intersection). WIN 28630.00 begins at Carver Lane in Lincolnvillle and extends northeast 1.99 miles ending in the Town of Northport.
- These sections of Route 1 have not been substantially reconstructed since the 1930s and design standards have changed since that time.
- The projects are funded for Design/Preliminary Engineering only.
- Data gathering is ongoing with the goal of providing safe use for all reasonable users (vehicles, bicyclists, pedestrians, etc.)
- No construction funding or schedule has been set.
- The earliest construction would likely begin would be 2028.
- The projects could cost more than \$15 million and will need to compete with other statewide needs.
- The projects could be segmented. For now, the projects are proceeding simultaneously.
- MaineDOT has begun survey, sent property owner letter, and met with municipal staff.
- The scope of the work appears likely to be a combination of reconstruction and rehabilitation but more investigation is necessary.
- The scope to include:
  - improved geometry, intersections, safe pedestrian crossings,
  - 11-foot travel ways and 5-foot shoulder anticipated,
  - sidewalk evaluation/improvements will be part of project design
  - primarily open drainage (ditches) but some closed drainage likely
- MaineDOT wants to avoid and/or minimize impacts. Avoid if possible and if unavoidable minimize

- MaineDOT anticipates at least two public meeting (virtual, hybrid, and/or in person). When the time for the formal public is nearer MaineDOT will seek input whether to hold joint Northport and Lincolnville meetings or separate meetings for each community.
- Property owner letters sent at project initiation and will be sent before public meetings
- MaineDOT will provide periodic updates to Towns
- The first public meeting is likely to be in the summer of 2025. The project design team is awaiting survey processing and data collection which impacts the schedule.
- The anticipated time between the initial meeting and the Preliminary Design Report and next formal public meeting is 6 to 9 months. During this time MaineDOT completes preliminary geotechnical, preliminary right of way, preliminary environmental, preliminary utilizes coordination and develops HVAC (horizontal and vertical alignments).
- After completion of Preliminary Design Report (PDR) final design and right-of-way acquisition takes place. These activities take a substantial amount of time, likely more than a year.
- Funding will also dictate schedule.
- The Ducktrap Bridge is not part of WIN 28630.00.
- Any sidewalk constructed must be maintained by municipality year-round (summer and winter).
- Most likely project funding to be 80% by Federal.

Pinkham-Bebb stated that her primary concern was for public safety.

Dunn requested an agenda item on the Lincolnville Select Board next agenda to help inform the public and discuss the goals and priorities of community.

Ray brought up a possible tree inventory prepared by the Town's Conservation Commission. MaineDOT LiDAR survey should also identify trees.

Hand reiterated/confirmed the anticipated timeline as:

- 6 months to preliminary public meeting
- 6 to 9 months after preliminary public meeting to PDR and second public meeting
- A year plus from PDR and second meeting to PS&E (Plans, Specifications and Estimate).
- In the best-case scenario, construction could start in 2028.

It was discussed that satisfying competing needs could be challenging but the projects were needed.

Tarantino suggested that Lincolnville host the next joint meeting between the Select Boards.

The group thanked Rooney and Deagle for the meeting and the information.

2. **Adjourn:**

**Motion by Hand, second by Tarantino, to adjourn. Motion passed. Vote: 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

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David Kinney  
Town Clerk