

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**Saturday, October 20, 2007 at 9:00 AM**  
**FIELD VISIT TO HOLLOW ROAD**

PRESENT: Selectmen James E. Thompson (presiding), Patrick J. Brady and David W. Barry, and Town Administrator Robert A. Weitz.

Also present for Wilbraham: Director DPW Ed Miga, and Highway Supervisor Frank Shea. Hampden selectmen John Flynn, Richard Green, and Vincent Villamaino were present. Several residents were also in attendance.

Selectmen met on Hollow Road, at the Hampden town boundary to investigate conditions of the unpaved road, which was closed in April, 2004, at the request of the Wilbraham Director of Department of Public Works. The closure was approved by Wilbraham selectmen and was intended to prevent vehicle access to the dirt road, which was the site of ongoing roadside dumping.

Hampden selectmen expressed concern about public safety response, as the concrete barriers prevented all vehicles from accessing a section which connects the two towns. Residents spoke both in favor and opposed to continuing the road closure.

Alternatives, such as a locked gate, were discussed. Wilbraham selectmen anticipated taking up the matter at a future business meeting.

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Town Administrator

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James E. Thompson, Chairman

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