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Village Infrastructure Committee

Online via Zoom

On July 18, 2023, at 5:00pm, a meeting was held in person at the Burke Community Center and via Zoom video conference to discuss the Burke Water and Wastewater Study. The following individuals attended:

Individual

Mike Harris Todd Vendituoli Coralie Curran Cathie Wheeler Tom Manges Linda Lotti Emily Hackett Peter Fairweather Andrea Day Representing

Town of Burke, One Burke One Burke Burke property owner One Burke One Burke One Burke VT DEC Fairweather Consulting Dufresne Group

Andrea Day has prepared the following summary of notes taken at the meeting. Please notify her if you have any corrections or additions to these minutes. Tasks to be completed as a result of this meeting are underlined.

I. Approval of minutes from April 18, 2023 and June 20, 2023, meetings. The April 18, 2023 and June 20, 2023 minutes were approved with a correction in spelling for the June 20 minutes. *No May meeting in lieu of the community information meetings

II. Water & Wastewater Study

- a. East Burke update
 - i. Developing disposal system layout
 - Preliminary layout for subsurface drip developed, need to run mounding analysis
 - ii. Identifying alternatives for tertiary treatment of wastewater disposed of at Burke Mtn fields. State of VT Indirect Discharge program indicated that any addition of new flow not previously planned for the Burke Mtn system would require the system to come up to current standards.
 - iii. Alternatives evaluated will include:

- Development of a system for disposal independent from the Burke Mountain system on the Payne property
- Installation of treatment and purchase of an allocation for disposal at the Burke Mountain disposal system
- Installation of treatment and purchase of the entire Burke Mountain collection and disposal system
- iv. Submittal of 90% report by August 1
- b. West Burke
 - i. Submitted 90% report end of December
 - Comments received from RD, waiting on DEC
 - RD comments are related to the amount of contingency in the cost estimate.
 - ii. ARPA Funding Scope and Agreement for 30% design
 - Emily indicated that the grant had been provided to the State grant writer last week
 - iii. An additional \$125,000 in fully forgivable funding available for Village Wastewater.
 - Loan application submitted July 12
 - Additional CWSRF funding to be used for:
 - a. Survey
 - b. ROW research
 - iv. Outreach plan in preparation for bond vote
 - Bond hearing July 24 @ 5pm, presentation will include:
 - a. Project review what, where, when
 - b. Funding review
 - c. Review of FAQ
 - Presentation was reviewed and discussed to be modified with the following changes:
 - a. Add affordable housing as a benefit

- b. Provide clarification that the need for a mandate will be determined based on the number of people voluntarily connecting and project costs.
- v. Emily noted that the details of the water system are still very preliminary. A meeting with the State drinking water program is being setup for next week with the Town to discuss the requirements for operation of a water system. The results of the hydrogeologic study may show that a smaller system can be developed in combination with well relocations that will avoid the need for a full public water supply.
- vi. Andrea discussed the affordability limits of the project and that it is those users that would need to connect to both water and wastewater systems that push the project to the limits of what is deemed affordable in terms of percent of MHI that the users will be paying. As more is learned about the needs of the water system based on the hydrogeologic study and as design progresses, the requirements for number of connections to make the project affordable will become clearer. If a smaller water system is possible, with lower costs than planned, adjustments may be possible to the allocation of costs so the tax base would pay less and the users could stay within the affordable range while paying a greater share of the construction costs.
- vii. Bond vote July 25, 8am-7pm
- viii. Town-wide mailings to announce bond vote and provide information sent 7/12 and 7/13. Todd and Tom verified that they had received the letter.
- c. Next steps
 - i. Address DEC review comments (once received) and finalize West Burke Report
 - ii. Submit West Burke Report addressing RD comments by July 26.
 - iii. Submit 90% East Burke Report by August 1
 - iv. Once ARPA funding in place, start on 30% design to include:
 - Well siting and testing
 - Indirect discharge permitting testing

III. Other items

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• No board updates

IV. Next meeting

a. August 8 at 5pm