One Burke

Village Infrastructure Committee

Online via Zoom

Meeting Minutes from March 21, 2023

Meeting started 5:00 PM

In attendance:

Mike Harris

Jerry Booth

Coralie Curran

Dan Flanagan

Kevin Blaise

Kevin Mack

Cathie Wheeler

Jim Sullivan

The February 2022 minutes were approved as presented.

East Burke

 Appraisal of the mountain's waste water system has been completed. Andrea to review and weigh out the alternatives of either purchasing and hooking into the Mountain's system or developing a system for East Burke on its own.

West Burke

- Bond vote is coming up. Andrea will contact Misty regarding a specific date that the vote has to happen by.
- ARPA funds are available to complete preliminary design for the project. Andrea
 has developed a scope and estimated fee to bring the project to 30%. The scope
 and fee have been submitted to the State for review.
- Kevin inquired on what the cost of the water and sewer project was going to be.
 He was assured by both Mike and Andrea that the costs are not known at this
 time. The committee is still in the phase of determining the feasibility of the
 project.
- Rural Development application is due April 15

The group moved on to the topic started in the February meeting discussing and planning of informational meetings prior to the vote.

- The first informational meeting was tentatively planned for April 20th at 6:00PM at the town office building.
 - Items to focus on

- a water system with better quality water with no high sulfur or iron content
- not having to maintain a private septic system and cost involved
- not having to incur the large expense of upgrading a septic system after the existing system outlived its useful life
- pictures of rundown or vacant building in the village that cannot be developed due to that lack of space required for drilled wells and septic systems
- vision of what the village could be with municipal water and septic (Peter Fairweather's report)

Mike and Dan gave a brief overview of the presentation Linda and they gave at the Town Meeting on March 7th. The overall response from the town's people attending in person was cautiously positive. As expected, of most concern was over the cost. Linda was able to explain that there is a lot of federal and state funding available right now for these projects and we will most likely not see an opportunity like this for some time.

Meeting adjourned 5:55PM

Next meeting April 18, 2023 5:00 PM

Submitted by Daniel Flanagan