

***Town of York ~ Village Revitalization Steering Committee
Meeting Minutes ~ April 18 , 2019
York Public Library ~ Wheeler Room***

Present: Stephen Carr, Toni DeSoto, Brent Drennan, Chris Hartwell, Dean Lessard,
Ron McAllister, Pete Smith

Absent: Stu Dawson, Mike Estes, Dan Poulin, Dylan Smith, Scott Stevens

Guest:

1. Committee Chair, Chris Hartwell called the meeting to order at 4:08pm.
2. Meeting minutes for March 21, 2019 were approved as written.
3. Dean noted that Regina has provided a draft of the (Preliminary Design Report (PDR) that will be sent to Maine DoT. It includes a schedule for completion of the Plans, Specifications and Estimate (PS&E) phase in Spring 2020, completion of advertising and bidding in the Summer 2020, and construction beginning in the Fall of 2020. Dean hopes these dates can be pulled back a bit so that the advertising and bidding occurs in the late Spring and the construction awards can be in place by the Fall of 2020.
4. Rather than start construction in late Fall and have to shut down during the Winter, Dean would prefer that construction begin in the Spring of 2020. The earliest that funding approvals would all be in place would be October 1st, 2019 and the money should actually be available by the end of the year.
5. As for KACTS, they have requested additional projects for FY 2021-2022. They have made changes to the decision process such that funding will be provided by phases rather than for an entire project all at once. It's likely that York will get funding for construction which is the next stage.
6. Chris reminded the group about the bad news we got from CMP regarding our plan to remove three poles in the center of the village in order to bury the electric utilities underground. It would cost us \$1.7 million for them to remove three poles in the center of the village while adding five new poles in order to bring cable and phone services down into the ground at each end.
7. Chris reviewed a draft memorandum to the BOS explaining our decision to abort our plan for moving utility lines in the village underground due to the unfortunate news from CMP. The committee offered a few updates and authorized her to submit it.
8. Our next regular meeting will be at 4:00pm on Thursday, June 6th at the York Public Library.

Meeting adjourned at 4:42 pm

Respectfully submitted, Peter Smith, Secretary