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Clean Water Committee Meeting  
September 28, 2023  
Minutes

Present: Clark Amadon, Deb Carroll, David Westerman, Rae Washburn, Jay Pilliod, Emily Hackett (State of VT), Achouak Arfaoui (State of VT) (all by zoom)

Meeting began at 4:30.

Being no public present, there was no public comment.

Status of siting and test pit schedule:

Per Clark, the Stevens property came up as “sensitive” per the archeological review of the site. There is still a possibility that it could be used. Emily recommends further review and possibly digging “archeological test pits,” which are small (50cm x 50cm by 2’ deep pits).

Emily believes that there may be some possibility of working successfully with the Vermont Land Trust. Her office is working with ACCD on the VLT issue. She thinks that we should at the very least be able to do test pits on the town owned property – just to see if it’s even feasible.

Per Clark, we do have permission for a test pit. The forester wants to know if we’ll need to take down any trees. We will not. Believes that we’re clear to move forward with the test pits, after archeology clears it (that may have already happened – Clark will clarify with Robert if that means the Stevenson, the school property, and the easement).

There is a property along the river, north past Dickinson Road on the right as a property that might be worth looking at. There is currently a trailer on that site. We have not yet spoken with the owners – this came up during Morefest, per Clark.

There was a question as to whether the Bozac property was still a possibility. It may be. Clark will speak with Robert about whether we should look into that property further, *if* the owners are interested.

Discussion regarding Morefest:

We had a good response from attendees: Lots of questions but no pushback/negativity.

There was very little discussion regarding the cost of this system. Per David, he found that folks are tuned into and focused on the environmental issues.

Update from Emily regarding the grant: There is some progress and details being added but no document ready to send to the SelectBoard yet.

Per Clark, we’re finally able to get Otter Creek’s invoices (to date) paid.

Our next meeting will be on October 11 at 4:30

Meeting adjourned at 5:27.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Carroll