

Moretown Clean Water Committee

October 26, 2023

Meeting Minutes

Present: Clark Amadon, Dave Westerman, Rae Washburn(call-in), Jack Byrne(zoom), Jay Pilliod (Zoom),

Also present: Emily Hackett & Achouak Arfaoui ... (both on Zoom)

Public attendance: Garrett Bergy

The minutes of October 12th and September 28th were moved by Jack and 2nd by Jay. Committee approved.

Emily Hackett discussed the status of the archeological review and test pits. The State has 30 days to reply. No reply from SHPO yet. Once this is done then the test pits can be excavated.

Per Emily, the grant has been written. The Grant should be coming to the Selectboard for signatures. It will be copied to Clark for the Committee. We all need to read it. It will need to be signed electronically. Questions and input are expected. Any legal questions could lead to delays since these take time to work through.

Garrett mentioned he'd like to be involved with the process as we move forward.

The committee then discussed how to proceed with public outreach. It was decided to spend time on this since there's no meeting scheduled until the 60% feasibility study is ready for a public forum.

The ideas presented and discussed were:

Pan to update the town on a 1/4'ly basis.

Do some door to door outreach in the village. Garrett volunteered to help with this.

Create a "benefits document". Westford, VT, which is also pursuing an in-ground village wastewater system, has a document worth considering.

Create a basic: FAQ doc.

Use the town web site to house materials. Need to find out who the web master is. Jack mentioned that Lo may be able to help with this, too. How to use social media within this effort?

Survey the village residents to find out how they prefer to get information.

Be aware not to "over-promise" or get too specific at this time.

For the next meeting:

Jack, Dave and Garrett will meet before the next meeting to report on strategies to reach out to the village and town.

Respectfully submitted, Clark Amadon