

***Town of York ~ Village Revitalization Steering Committee
Meeting Minutes ~ September 26 , 2019
Wheeler Room ~ York Public Library***

Present: Stephen Carr, Toni DeSoto, Chris Hartwell, Dean Lessard, Ron McAllister,
Dan Poulin, Dylan Smith, Pete Smith

Absent: Brent Drennan, Mike Estes, Scott Stevens

Guest: Leah Drennan

1. Committee Chair, Chris Hartwell called the meeting to order at 4:05pm.
2. Meeting minutes for April 18, 2019 were approved as written.
3. Dean noted that Maine DoT has approved the Preliminary Design Report (PDR) for Phase 1. The entire plan set is included with that report. Next is the Plan Impact Complete (PIC) phase. Dean will work with Mike Joyce and Regina to update the parking plan to show final changes.
4. At this point, DoT will address such things as rights-of-way, acquisitions, etc. Final design is dependent on completion of this activity.
5. Dean also noted that he held a Utility Coordination Meeting with representatives from each of the utility companies to review their next steps now that the decision has been made not to put the utilities underground.
6. Chris announced that KACTS has approved \$600k of funding for our project for fiscal year 2022. Those funds will be available for Phase 2. Chris noted that \$2 million has been added to **the first draft of the 2021 Capital Plan for the Village project**. Given the likelihood that construction bids will come in significantly higher than estimates made in 2015, these monies **could** be very helpful to assure that as much of the plan as possible can remain intact. **Whether the \$2 million remains on the Capital Plan as it goes through the planning process is questionable.**
7. Dylan pointed out that Historic District Commission (HDC) approval of the final design plan will be required. They have already been looking at specific issues that they need to consider.
8. Chris opened a discussion about those things that are indicated on the Master Plan such as landscaping, street furniture and lighting. These items still need to be defined in more detail and a determination made as to how they will ultimately be funded.
9. Our next regular meeting will be at 4:00pm on Thursday, October 24th at the York Public Library.

Meeting adjourned at 4:42 pm

Respectfully submitted, Peter Smith, Secretary

NOTE: We need to try limiting the amount of background talk and "talking over each other" as it makes it very difficult to decipher the primary information on the audio recording.