

***Town of York ~ Village Study Committee
Meeting Minutes ~ April 21, 2016
York Public Library ~ Wheeler Room***

Present: Stu Dawson, Toni DeSoto, Gloria Gustafson, Chris Hartwell, Dean Lessard, Robert Palmer, Scott Stevens, , Dylan Smith, Pete Smith, Lew Stowe

Absent: Ron McAllister, Joel Lefever, Steve Pelletier

Guest: David Chase, Ted Little

1. Vice-Chair Chris Hartwell called the meeting to order at 8:34 am.
2. Meeting minutes for March 17th were approved with multiple corrections. The corrected version will be distributed with the minutes from this meeting.
3. Chris noted that, despite being scheduled, Cumberland Farms representatives would not be attending the meeting.
4. Dean showed a large diagram of the plans that he has been reviewing with the DoT and copies of the project request that has been submitted to KATCS. He reported that at this time we are the only town with a submittal which means that we may get all \$800k of this year's available funding. He has learned that Mr. Kyricos has contacted the DoT several times and has been providing information to them that is not entirely accurate or factual. Also, Dean plans to appeal to the DoT to consider the possibility of funding the entire project all at once instead of over several years through KATCS.
5. Chris asked for help confirming the accuracy and completeness of information she has drafted for upcoming newspaper advertisements. She needs to confirm that the answers that have been drafted for each of the frequently asked questions (FAQ) are correct and complete. She will be sending the draft out to everyone by email and needs responses within 24 hours.
6. It was noted that there is some confusion among the public about what voters approved in May of 2015. Some think that the whole project was approved, when actually the only thing that was approved was adding the Village Master Plan to the town's Comprehensive Plan. We need to clarify that, in this May's ballot, we are asking the voters to approve funding to implement that plan. Further in needs to be clear that 90% of that funding will come from federal and state coffers, while only 10% will come from the Town of York budget.
7. Our next regular meeting will be at 8:30am on Thursday, May 5th at the York Public Library.

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 am

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Smith, Secretary