

TOWN OF HIGHGATE
Village Core Master Plan Committee
October 11, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Village Core Master Plan Committee Members: Woody Rouse-Chair, Alice (Sue) Cota, Lura Jacques-Secretary, Clarence Miller, Mary Laroche, , Sharon Bousquet-Town Administrator

Absent Members: Rebecca Manning-Vice Chair, Chris Shepard, Adah DeRosier, Virginia Holiman

Public/Other: None

Woody Rouse, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

Guest Speakers

None

Answering Questions

Sharon Bousquet showed the committee a PowerPoint presentation that the Town of Westford put together for presentation of their proposed wastewater system. The project is very similar to Highgate's proposed system and there was discussion around preparing something similar for the Highgate community. There was a great deal of time spent on discussing frequently asked questions and responses for such a presentation.

Marketing Plans

Sharon Bousquet also presented the committee with a YouTube video that the Town of Westford put together regarding their proposed wastewater system. The committee felt it was a good piece and discussed various opportunities on how Highgate could create a similar piece to get out to the community members to help present, discuss and express the overall need for such a system to help expand the village core and encourage development within the village.

Examples

The committee discussed various additional ways on how to communicate to the community the need for the wastewater system, how to educate the community members and encourage a positive vote. The goal is to vote at the Town Meeting in March 2024.

Funding

Sharon Bousquet shared with the committee that additional funds have been secured both by state ARPA and the Clean Water fund for the wastewater project construction. The approximate total received is \$4 million.

Approve Meeting Minutes

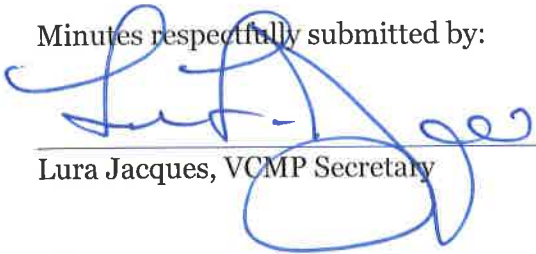
To be approved next month.

NEXT MEETING DATE

November 8, 2023

ADJOURN – Clarence Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mary Laroche seconded the motion. APPROVED

Minutes respectfully submitted by:



Lura Jacques, VCMP Secretary

12-13-23

Date

Minutes approved by:



Woody Rouse, VCMP Chair

12-13-23

Date