

## **Mt. Agamenticus Parking & Lease Planning Subcommittee**

**Monday, May 7, 2018**

**York Water District Resource Protection Office 9 Eber Drive 3:30 PM**

**SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Two Town of York Selectmen, Dawn Sevigny-Watson & Mike Estes, Two YWD Trustees, Andy Belliveau & Rick Boston, York Parks & Recreation Director Mike Sullivan, Mt. Agamenticus Conservation Coordinator Robin Kerr, YWD Superintendent, Don Neumann and YWD Resource Protection Manager Gary Stevens.

### **May 7, 2018 3:30 PM SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING NOTES;**

**Member Attendees:** Dawn Sevigny-Watson, Robin Kerr, Mike Sullivan, Andy Belliveau, Rick Boston, Don Neumann, Gary Stevens

**Guest Attendees:** Jon Edgerton of Wright-Pierce, Engineering Consultant,

**Member Invitees unavailable to attend:** Mike Estes

The reason for today's meeting is to have Jon Edgerton of Wright-Pierce go over each item in the "Scope of Services" that he prepared for the District associated with the Mount Agamenticus Parking and Restrooms design and engineering and be sure everyone understands the scope and discuss any final changes that need to be made to it before YWD signs the contract.

Prior to this meeting and from discussions Jon had with Don and Gary and in the interest of time YWD hired Michael Cuomo, Soil Scientist, to conduct wetland surveys at both parking lot sites. This is being completed in cooperation with and oversight from Jon. Gathering this information is best done during the early springtime (now) for the most accurate results.

Although Mike's report was not ready for this meeting he did let Jon know from a strictly permitting standpoint, because of existing vernal pools on site #2 near the CFW, it would require extensive permitting. Site #1, the existing base parking lot, would be much easier. Regarding site #2, Jon also added, it's not impossible to build a parking lot there but it will be more difficult.

Don reminded the group that at site #2, it's possible to drain that site away from the Chase's Pond Watershed and that YWD must get Maine Public Utilities Commission approval for either site, Site #2 would probably have less PUC concern because the drainage can be engineered out of the watershed, site #1 cannot.

Jon reminded the committee that there are many different factors that need to be considered and discussed during the process of choosing a site. From the YWD point of view, consideration of all factors will lead to which site is the best location, but protection of water quality must be the consideration that carries the most weight. All members seem to agree water quality will be the most important consideration.

On the discussion of Task 2E Public/Stakeholder Meeting(s) and because of the critical nature of this property (a Public Water Supply Source Water Protection Area) owned by YWD and the Town of York's willingness to cooperatively plan for this project with YWD and the Districts required oversight by Maine PUC the group feels any public/stakeholder meeting(s) will be to inform the public of what is being

planned. The group realizes the need to get this project into the public eye to gain their support and eventual funding from the voters. As we get into the design and engineering of this project we will have periodic updates at Selectmen meetings and newspaper articles. It will be most important to show the public what process the committee used to reach each decision and what information was used to back up those decisions.

About cost of design and engineering, YWD has agreed to pay for the design and engineering of the parking lot, not to exceed \$35,000. The current estimated cost from W-P is \$40,150.00 but does not include Task 2C – Site design for Restrooms. Depending on what type of restrooms are chosen the cost of that item could be \$6,000 - \$12,000. This far exceeds the amount of money the YWD is willing to pay. The current consideration is for composting toilets. If that is the route the committee chooses Jon feels the restroom site design will be on the lower side of the \$6,000 - \$12,000 estimate. During the process we will be able to decide what type of restroom will provide the best protection for water quality as we weigh the options.

The Town of York has included a line item on the proposed May 2018 Ballot of \$10,000 for Design and Engineering of restrooms at Mt. A. Dawn Sevigny-Watson and Mike Sullivan agreed, that item should be used to make up the shortfall in this proposal. Jon will work with Don and Gary to update and include the appropriate wording in the Scope of Services to reflect the Towns willingness to apply \$10,000 (if approved by the voters) towards the restroom site design in this contract.

**NEXT MEETING DATE, TIME and LOCATION: TBD**