BOARD OF SELECTMEN WORKSHOP MINUTES MONDAY APRIL 7, 2014

6:00 p.m. Meeting Room

Exploration of Community Septic System Concept

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steven Palmer, Clark Whittier, Mark Girard, Darla Hamlin,

Paul Napolitano

OTHERS PRESENT:

Audrey Lones, Nelson Smith, Donna Palmer, Steve Morrison,

Pam Ames, Marnie Diffin

- I. The Workshop was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Palmer
- II. A summary of the information contained in the reports prepared by Sevee & Mahre Engineers and Carroll Associates, Landscape Architects was presented.
- III. A Community Septic System Concept was presented by Mark Girard. The handouts were reviewed and concepts discussed.

Key points presented:

- The Community Septic System Concept would be economically feasible as expense could be scaled to demand and could be funded with Tax Increment Financing.
- The concept is consistent with realizing the goals expressed in the existing Comprehensive Plan.
- A community system would facilitate expansion of the town's tax base.
- A community system would provide a process to protect and enhance the aquifer resource.
- IV. Next steps: (pending 2014 budget approval)

Proceed with a detailed site study of the current septic system at NYMS while the school is occupied.

Review and modify land use ordinances to allow 10,000 sf minimum lot size where public septic and water are available as is currently allowed in other locations.

Create a TIF district as a method of funding the infrastructure improvements

Create a community septic system using the existing school system based on the conceptual plan as shown on the Sevee & Maher report.

Create a Request for Proposals for a mixed use, village scale development and sale of the Town Office property (from the ravine to Parsonage Road. <u>This does not include Veterans' Memorial Park</u>) for high density development.

Create a plan to remove the front portion (Rt 9 side) of the existing school building; Repurpose the gymnasium for a community building; Move the town offices and meeting rooms to the rear portion of the school

As density requires, permit and construct an addition to the existing septic system.

As density requires, permit and construct a MBR treatment system

All Selectmen endorsed further exploration of the concept. Any actions or spending authorizations would proceed only after Board of Selectmen voted approval of any such proposals.

Workshop closed at 7:58 p.m.

APPROVED

CONSENT AGENDA APRIL 15, 2014

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