

Madbury Public Works Planning Committee (PWPC)

Minutes of: November 4, 2024

Meeting Convened: 7:30 pm

Members in Attendance:

- John Vanasco (Chair)
- Tony St. Louis (Vice Chair)
- Sara Anderson
- Fritz Green (alternate)
- Mark Avery
- Mat Paugh

Public in Attendance:

- None

Guests:

- None

Call to order:

- Chair Vanasco called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

Approval of Previous Minutes:

- Green read the minutes of October 21, 2024. Green moved and St. Louis seconded a motion to strike a typo, "a" from the minutes and approve. Motion passed.
- St. Louis read the minutes from the October 26, 2024 site walks. Green moved and Vanasco seconded a motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

Meeting Notes:

- There was a discussion about water access at the Transfer Station property. Avery noted that based on preliminary reviews, a well could be constructed, even with the landfill. Eric Fiegenbaum was seeking more information from the NH Dept of Environmental Services (DES).
Paugh noted that many public works departments in the state are built on dumps and employees use bottled water for drinking. St. Louis noted that there's a Dover water main in close proximity to the site which could be explored as an alternate water source.
- It was discussed that public access to the lafolla property (from the State road) would require legal review and may need to be renewed annually. Constructing alternate access to the site would eliminate the benefit of entering the property from a state-maintained road during a storm.

- It was generally agreed that the Transfer Station property was the preferred option as it was also in a central location for plowing and had limited potential for alternate land use. Vanasco moved and St. Louis seconded a motion to recommend the Transfer Station property to the Selectboard as the primary site. Motion passed. Avery volunteered to speak with the Police Chief and gather information about firing range usage at the site.
- There was a discussion about the personnel and operating equipment that would be needed, similar to the findings in the Public Works Exploratory Committee (PWEC) Final Report. Purchasing some equipment used would reduce the initial financial burden and provide an offset schedule for maintenance and replacement.
- It was generally agreed that the next meeting would discuss the salt shed and site plan development. Funding for the salt shed could be covered by the capital reserves.
- Green referenced the PWEC Report and suggested that the bond audit be started soon, as the timeline for completion is approx. 1 year. Avery noted that the Strafford Regional Planning Commission (SRPC) has been asked to look for potential grants.

Adjournment:

- Avery moved and Paugh seconded a motion to adjourn and reconvene in two weeks. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.