

**Municipal Building Committee
Long Sands Bathhouse
Minutes for July 2, 2015**

Present: Michael Sullivan, Director of Parks and Recreation, Dean Lessard, Director of Public Works, Dylan Smith, Jim Bartlett, Tim Ward, Jim Smith, Joseph Lipton, Nelson Giordano, Erin O'Dea

Absent: Steve Bradstreet, Stu Dawson, Dylan Smith

This special meeting was held to discuss the title issue and the setback issues that affect the project schedule. The property title issue needs to be resolved as Ransom needs to include the property lines in their proposals to the DEP and Planning Board.

Jim Bartlett spoke with Attorney Jim Nadeau regarding the Norton property. Attorney Nadeau did not realize that the title issue was time sensitive. He let Jim Bartlett know that it has been difficult getting in touch with the Norton family spokesperson. He also indicated that the family has had issues in the past with the Town of York and may have a lesser interest in making this business transaction a priority.

It was suggested that the Town of York draw up a Purchase & Sales agreement to be presented to the Norton family. The document would be time sensitive and if it was not responded to by the family then the Committee would advise the Board of Selectmen to begin eminent domain proceedings in order to move the project forward. Jim Bartlett will speak with Steve Burns and will address the Board of Selectmen at the meeting on Monday night.

Dean Lessard indicated that the land is located under the road and is basically worthless. Also, that the eminent domain procedure includes a minimum offer for land of \$300.00.

At this point, the design phase is the only piece of the project that can be continued. It will be necessary to have the Town vote in November to approve the land purchase and/or the setback amendments which will determine which design concept that will be used for the project.

The bond for the project was issued in June of 2013 with a three-year limit. If the project is delayed can the bond be extended? Could the roadwork begin and be considered use of the bond?

Jim Bartlett will attend the Board of Selectmen meeting on Monday evening. He will address the project time line, recommend solutions to the title issue and address the setback issues should the design #2 be approved.

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2015 at 4:00pm at the York Public Library.