Town of York ~ Village Study Committee Meeting Minutes ~ September 20, 2013 York Public Library

Present: Ron McAllister, Antonia DeSoto, Dawn Fernald, Gloria Gustafson,

Joel Lefever, Scott Stevens, Pete Smith, Lew Stowe, Dean Lessard

Absent: Stu Dawson, Christine Grimando, Ron Nowell

- 1. Chairman Ron McAllister called the meeting to order at 8:35am.
- 2. Approval of meeting minutes for September 13, 2013 was postponed to the next meeting.
- 3. Ron proposed that an information letter should go to property owners who will be impacted by survey activity. He and Dean will work together to do so.
- 4. Dean informed the group about some of the prospective bidders for the survey and what they will produce in terms of documentation.
- 5. Stu pointed out that he has a book of information about many of the impacted properties taken from GIS data in town hall. He will send a copy to Dean.
- 6. Ron commented on the website sub-committee activity. For example, the *Elements Survey* will be used as part of the Survey Monkey function. Ron also distributed a proposed survey form which asks the respondent to "rank" the three design options. The group debated whether or not to include a "do nothing" option on this form.
- 7. Plans for the MarketFest booth include asking attendees to "rank" their preference by dropping a ballot card into a voting box attached to each of the option diagrams. Each person will be given three cards numbered "1", "2" and "3." In addition, a sheet will be available for them to provide their email address if they want to get updates. Pete will get ballot boxes and make the ballot cards. Ron will get a banner for use at MarketFest and on voting day.
- 8. The PSA sub-committee plans to rehearse their video production in early October.
- 9. Dean updated the group on his progress obtaining the available DOT funding.
- 10. Ron pointed out that most of the volunteer time slots for MarketFest are signed up for, but the end-of-day Saturday needs coverage. Joel, Pete and Ron will do the set up on Friday or Thursday night if the weather permits.
- 11. Tony described meeting with some of the village property owners who expressed an interest in meeting with our committee sometime in the near future.
- 12. Joel suggested that someone from First Parish Church should be on our committee. Scott noted that he is a church member and is considered as representing the church.
- 13. Our next meeting will be at 8:30am on Thursday, October 3rd at the York public Library. Meeting adjourned at 9:41am

Respectfully submitted, Peter Smith, Secretary