

TOWN OF WAYLAND Massachusetts

Meeting Minutes Route 20 South Landfill Visioning Committee December 19, 2023

The Committee met by way of Zoom.

Attendance:

Tom Fay, Chair
Acima Cherian, Member (not yet sworn-in)
Erin Gibbons, Member
Tom Holder, Wayland DPW
Cliff Lewis, Member
Michael McCall, Town Manager
Ira Montague, Member
Brad Young, Member
Joe Brevard, guest (The Collaborative)
Bill Giezentanner, guest (The Collaborative)

Meeting was called to order at 12:32 PM

12:35 - Public comment:

None.

12:36 - Motion to approve Nov. 9, 2023 minutes:

Moved by E. Gibbons. Seconded by C. Lewis. Approved, 5-0.

12:37 - Committee business:

- T. Holder reported on progress of landscaping and clean-up of the Route 20 South landfill site. T. Holder noted that a notice of intent has been submitted to the Conservation Committee, and flagged that there are some endangered species issues related to the parcels. Approval to begin tree removal and stump grinding is expected in January 2024. Work to be done in-house.
- T. Fay noted monies in the existing DPW budget that are available to aid the Route 20 Landfill Committee. C. Lewis opened a discussion about work done by The Collaborative, noting that they performed impressive work at the Neponset River Greenway. C. Lewis introduced Joe Brevard and Bill Giezentanner, who described The Collaborative as a Boston-

based organization that specializes in land project that combine planning, design and community engagement. Discussion of Neponset River Reservation Master Plan, a 75 acre landfill, as well as work related to parcels on former landfills in Alewife and Mattapan. Discussion of the importance of working with the community to find the best solution. B. Giezentanner discussed his familiarity of the site from kayaking and biking, noting that at first glance, the parcel could be designed as almost anything.

- 12:47 J. Brevard and B. Giezentanner left meeting.
- Conversation about a DPW expenditure of \$9900 for The Collaborative to do some preliminary research, of the remaining approximately \$120,000 budgeted for engineering and concept design of the parcels. Committee reviewed The Collaborative's proposal. Discussion on the desire to see more specifics in the proposal, potentially replacing the proposed "One Day Visiting Workshop" with something more targeted based on the Committee's work to-date on possibilities, and the outputs/deliverables.
- Conversation about the need for at least one public forum on the topic of proposed uses of the parcels, including when the best time for such a forum would be (as part of The Collaborative's work or after so there are deliverables that can be considered).
- Committee discussed proposed revisions to The Collaborative's proposal, namely, (i)
 ensuring that they will work with the consulting engineer; (ii) adding more details about the
 final deliverables; and (iii) having a conversation with them regarding the need for a "One
 Day Visiting Workshop" rather than providing them with work product from the Committee
 on the same topic, and any impact on speed and/or cost.
- E. Gibbons made motion to (i) move forward with The Collaborative, subject to the above proposed revisions, and (ii) authorize T. Fay, C. Lewis and T. Holder to discuss proposed revisions with The Collaborative. B. Young seconded. Approved, 5-0.
- Committee noted that next steps would be for T. Fay, C. Lewis and T. Holder to connect with The Collaborative.

1:10 - Motion to Adjourn

Moved by E. Gibbons. Seconded by C. Lewis. Approved, 5-0.

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