Rte. 108 Corridor Study Committee Meeting Minutes May 24, 2018 Municipal Center, Selectmen's Meeting Room 10 Bunker Hill Avenue

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lucy Cushman, Joe Lovejoy (Chairman, Selectman's Representative), Nathan Merrill, Maria Stowell, Richard Swett, Michael Dane

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT Paul Deschaine (Town Administrator) Tavis Austin (Town Planner)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

None

CALL TO ORDER Lovejoy called the meeting to order at 7:03

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Merrill moved and Cushman seconded a motion to accept the minutes of May 3. Passed by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS DRAFT VISION STATEMENT PROVIDED BY MERRILL

Merrill, Cushman, and Swett collaborated on the draft statement. The first paragraph was intended to be the statement. The balance of the work was offered as backup. Comments and suggestions were offered. Merrill will take under advisement and revise.

DISSCUSS SURVEY AND MEDIA TO REACH TARGET AUDIENCES

Dane presented his draft of survey questions to be distributed to measure residents' views on the future of the Route 108 corridor. Responses were very positive. Committee members thanked Dane for his work. Suggested means of distributing the survey including: Email, Stratham Magazine, link on Town website, postings at Town Offices and library. Members acknowledged that while survey would not be statistically accurate, it would provide valuable feedback. Consensus was to proceed, look into Survey Monkey account.

RECUIRMENT OF NEW MEMBERS

No progress to report.

POSITION OF CHAIR

Lovejoy indicated he would continue as Chair. Committee offered full support.

MEETING HANDOUTS

Draft vision statement.

Review of Survey website – no hard copies.

OTHER MATTERS BEING PURSUED

Deschaine reported that Applied Economic Research was preparing a proposal to provide an update to the Cost of Services Study and suggested that an Economic Model would furnish more useful data. Proposal will be studied upon receipt. Deschaine also reported that the Public Works Commission was working with an engineer to develop cost estimates for phased infrastructure work. Baseline condition for the estimates will assume the Town will act independently, not partner with another community.

ASSIGNMENTS

Dane will finalize survey and prepare a public outreach plan. Merrill will revise Vision Statement Deschaine will further AER proposal.

NEXT MEETINGS

June 14th, 7:00 p.m. June 28th, 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURMENT

Merrill moved and Stowell seconded a motion to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Passed by unanimous vote.

SUBMITTED BY

M Stowell

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