Town of Shelburne Selectboard

Special meeting/site visit, August 16, 2022

Present: Selectboard members Mike Ashooh, Kate Lalley, and Matt Wormser; Town staff Chris Robinson and Lee Krohn; Town engineers Wayne Elliott and Michael Mainer; and members of the public/neighbors of the Crown Road wastewater treatment facility all gathered at 9:00 A.M. at the Turtle Lane wastewater treatment facility. A tour of that facility was given, with explanation of the overall wastewater treatment process. The overall 'lay of the land' at the Turtle Lane site was also offered, describing opportunities and limitations of the site for further expansion.

The group then visited the Crown Road facility, where Selectboard members Cate Cross and Luce Hillman joined, as did neighbor Bob Furrer. As the treatment process here is very similar to what takes place at Turtle Lane, this site visit focused more on the site itself and preliminary expansion plans here. At the neighbors' request, the group also visited Mariner's Way so that the physical relationship between Town and neighboring residential properties could be seen.

Questions were raised about noise, odor, trucks, trees, site disturbance, building height, and other related matters.

For a variety of analyzed reasons, the best operational and financial plan has presently been determined to include converting the Turtle Lane facility to a pump station, and expanding the Crown Road facility to handle all wastewater treatment. The neighbors would prefer that Crown Road be the pump station, with all treatment activities occurring at Turtle Lane. This would require two complete sets of pipes and pump systems, since the effluent must still be discharged in to Shelburne Bay.

Although preliminary decisions have already been made, the Selectboard will need to confirm a final determination soon so that the engineers can know which plan to pursue. Will the engineers be asked to analyze the 'reverse' option described above, or does the Selectboard have sufficient information in hand to make a final determination on a course of action?

With no further discussion, the site visit was adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

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For the Selectboard

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