



MEMORANDUM

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To: Town Council
From: William R. Shane, Town Manager
Date: September 8, 2018
Re: **Town Garage Meetings**

We are now approaching the end of our 4th year in pursuit of a location for the Town Garage. We now have a location and a partner in the Cumberland County Riding Club and a location at Skillins Road.

I met with the Riding Club this past Friday evening and with Bond Counsel and the Town Attorney this past Thursday. All involved parties will be ready to move forward with the Skillins Road Plan once the Town Council has approved Phase I. I will be recommending we consider adding the Fire Ladder Truck to the initial Bond Package (\$1.3M) and the first Phase of the garage at \$3.4 M for a \$4.7 M Bond. Our Bond Counsel believes this is the best strategy moving forward. The Town Attorney and Bond Counsel believe presenting the entire project as we have discuss is a good strategy so multiple referendums would not happen each time the next phase was ready to move forward.

Bond 1- 2019	Fire Truck \$1.3M and Town Garage Phase 1 (\$3.4 M)	\$ 4.7M
Bond 2- 2023	Town Garage Mechanical Services Structure	\$ 5.2M

The Town Council will be asked to authorize up to \$9.9 M in new debt for a new Fire Truck and Town Garage. Council **authorization for Phase 2 will be required pursuant** to the October 8, 2018 Council Order.

I recommend I present the overall plan at your September 24th meeting along with Dan Diffin from Sevee & Maher Engineers.

Meeting Presentation:

- Overview of Village Green Master Plan
- Review of the 18 sites reviewed
- Review of the Current Site and Phases
- Funding & Bond Implications to Mil Rate
- More Review of Timeframe:
 1. October 8th Public Hearing & Council Vote
 2. Mid November begin Environmental Permitting
 3. February 2019 – Initial Planning Board Meeting
 4. June 2019 Final Planning Board Meeting
 5. Bidding July 2019 for Fall Construction- Award July 2019
 6. Open New Compost Area April 1, 2020
 7. Phase I Completion June 1, 2020
 8. Continue to explore Alternative Mechanical Maintenance partners
 9. Phase II – Engineering begins January 2022 with Council authorization
 10. Phase II – Bond 2023 with Council Authorization
 11. Bid Phase II December 2022 – Phase II work begins Spring 2023
 12. Phase II Completed Spring 2024
- Q & A Public
- Q & A Council
- Set Public Hearing for October 8, 2018

The difficult piece of all of this is regardless of where we go, someone will be impacted. The crew at the garage deals with all the “day to day” items we all truly take for granted. Trash, sewer, stormwater, road repairs, road construction, winter plowing & sanding, debris removal. All the things we need to work well in our community so we can get going every morning are expected regardless of weather or infrastructure condition. The entire Public Services Department (Highway - Parks- Val Halla) all give us their best effort every day. It will be difficult for many of them not to personalize what may lie ahead for us all.