



BICYCLE-PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 25th, 2020, 6:30 pm – Town Office

Introduction of present members and non-present members:

Present: *Lindsay Currier (Town Staff Liaison), John Lappen, , Mary Piasecki, Chuck Farrell, Patricia Porter (Chair), Sandra Lucore, Emile Lugosch, Apologies: Christopher Hall (Town Administrator), Todd Richards, Bob Faunce, Jim Albright, Jack Fitzpatrick . Guests: Chuck Hanson Budget Committee, Lara Sargent Parks and Recreation Department.*

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Porter at 6:30pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

It was moved by Chuck Farrell and seconded by John Lappen to approve the minutes of January 13, 2020. Motion passed 6-0

Brief Summary of Outcome/Feedback from Feb 5 Selectboard meeting:

Sandra reported on the Selectboard meeting as a mostly positive experience; it appeared that the committee recommendations were positively received.

Brief Summary of Outcome/Feedback from Feb 11 Budget Committee meeting:

The tenor of the meeting was discussed; Emile reported feedback that the meeting got off topic and the budget document was too detailed. Chuck Hanson provided valuable feedback and insight into the Budget committee's thinking. Per Chuck, the Bicycle and Pedestrian committee should not implement, only advise; in his estimation, more planning is required.

Review of Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan

The future Beach Pavilion walking path was discussed by Lara. Emile remarked that the trail was indeed part of the mission of the committee, however the mission was broader than that. This trail may be an appropriate project for the AARP grant due April 1. The Bristol Mills sidewalk and crosswalk is another potential project.

Bristol Consolidated School: The library is the primary evacuation route/destination for the school. In the event of an emergency, children would evacuate to the library and parents would be called from there. There was discussion as to the frequency of such an event, and the likelihood that emergency response staff and or school staff would mitigate traffic on Rt 130 during this event. Pat made a motion to include the words 'primary evacuation route' in the plan. Mary seconded. Vote: 6-0-0

Speed sensors: Lindsay and Sean Hunter will attend training for the new speed feedback sign being granted from MaineDOT. Lindsay will determine whether the data that can be obtained would allow the town to plan for speed studies, avoiding the need to purchase equipment for a Town-based speed study.

Sandra presented a reworked table of contents for re-organizing the plan. It was noted that the multi-use trail must remain at the top of the list of Recommended Actions as this was voted so by the committee. Chuck F motioned that we accept Sandra's changes, Pat seconded. Vote: 6-0-0

Pat motioned that the committee accept the plan with the changes as outlined by Sandra. Mary seconded. Vote: 4-0-2

The plan will be submitted to the Selectboard before the next meeting.

Table at Town Meeting

All members present at tonight's meeting offered to staff an information table at Town Meeting, to field questions from the public about Article 13, the updated Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan, and the Committee. The Committee reviewed a one page document prepared as a handout. Group agreed to remove the 'Signs & Village Entry Improvement Materials' from the section titled 'How would Town funding be used in 2020', as the Budget committee secured a change in the wording of the warrant (Article 13) to include the wording 'to plan for bicycle, pedestrian and highway safety improvements'. The section 'How Would Town funding be used in 2020' should be re-written to include the planning detail, i.e. planning consultant (Bob Faunce); engineering studies; research conducted by paid intern; legal fees associated with review of ROW language in deeds.

Expiration of our commissions

This committee's commission expires after Town Meeting, and this is the last official meeting. Going forward, a notice will be posted in the LCN requesting parties interested in serving on the committee to contact the Town office.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm by Emile, Seconded by Sandra

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Piasecki, Secretary 02/26/2019