

Rail Trail Committee Minutes  
December 11, 2012

Member attendees: Carol Lisbon, Matthew Schmid, Kate Cannie, Mark Howe, Tim Holiner, Greg Hills, Elaine Rosenburg

Guests: Many

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting room

1. Minutes of 11/27/12 were approved.
2. Updates
  - a. There is a meeting of the "Friends" group at the library 8pm 12/12/12.
  - b. Kate and Matt presented a spreadsheet of information on other towns with paths. See action items below.
  - c. Parking: Mark Howe is continuing to work on a spreadsheet indicating parking possibilities within the town center/Dedham St. area. It was suggested that discussions be held with the churches and that contingency plans be developed.
  - d. Timeline: Town Meeting May 6, 2013, Warrant Committee Open Hearing 3/18, RTC Open Hearing 3/5, Draft Feasibility Study by 2/15, 2 public meetings week of 1/28, BOH 1/14.
  - e. The MPO has informed us that their draft Feasibility Study should be available mid-January.
  - f. Critical issues associated with Town Meeting vote need to be identified and incorporated into warrant article motion.
  - g. Carol reported on a conversation with Karen MacTAvish, Town Assessor. Dover does not specifically use proximity/abutting to open space in their property valuation. Anecdotally, she stated that she has heard that property values could well be higher.
3. Actions :
  - a. **By 12/21: Individuals RTC members to send Feasibility Study material to Greg.**

- b. Kate to continue outreach to the Long-Range Planning to arrange for an update to them.
- c. **December:** Members to review comparable towns' spreadsheet, add information, in preparation for decision at next meeting on 4-5 towns to use.
- d. **December:** Kate to draft 2012 Town Report submission
- e. **December:** Kate to publish timeline and place on website
- f. **December:** Mark to develop spreadsheet analyzing parking availability by day and time with seasonal commentary.
- g. **December:** Mark to obtain Pictometry map of rail bed abutters to identify specific homes identified in November walk.
- h. **December:** Elaine to schedule
  - i. Update to Council on Aging Board
  - ii. Presentation at Council on Aging luncheon
  - iii. 2 public meetings week of 1/28
- i. January: Carol to work with Town Counsel: review of MBTA lease, insurance needs and Dover contractor contract
- j. January: Warrant Article placeholder to be submitted to BOS.
- k. February: Critical issues associated with Town Meeting vote need to be identified and incorporated into warrant article.
- l. Field trips to other recreational paths need to be scheduled
- m. Walking tours of Dover path need to be scheduled
- n. Clean-up days needs to be scheduled.
- o. An RDA to ConCom will be required at some point

4. Next meetings: 1/15, 1/22, 1/29,2/5,2/12,2/19,2/26.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Lisbon