

Rail Trail Committee Minutes
June 12, 2012

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

Guests: Bob Coates, Grant Stephen, Martha Bolin, jim Kinder, Missy Gramer, Stephanie Gould, Kristin Brophy

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. Minutes of 5/8/12 were approved.
2. Updates
 - a. The new communication plan was reviewed. There is a Rail Trail Committee webpage on the Dover website, an email list has been established for all citizens to join per instructions on the webpage, notices of the email list have appeared in the Suburban Press, Hometown Weekly, the Dover Patch, on the town's homepage, and there are signup sheets in the Library. A letter was sent to all abutters.
 - b. Greg Hills presented an outline for the Feasibility Study. It was agreed that it was comprehensive and included all the general areas previously identified for study (with details under the major categories not necessarily listed) but that it would probably be longer. Environmental issues and crime research identified as major issues for abutters. Document to be posted on webpage.
 - c. Mary McLaughlin reviewed findings from her discussion with Kate Day, Danvers Rail Trail. They have an active appointed RTC, and found that trash is not an issue, no increase in crime. Local groups play a role in clean-up, etc. Mary also talked to the Fuller Brook Wellesley folks. They are currently conducting a study comparing stone dust with and without resin. No crime change.
 - d. Matt Schmid discussed his schedule which complemented Greg's outline.
3. Actions :

- a. Mary McLaughlin to follow-up with Wellesley Trails for a possible visit
 - b. Mary McLaughlin to explore feasibility of an active “Friends of” organization with BCRT Dover list (from Tad) and other Dover groups
 - c. Mark Howe to interface with IHP. IHP now working with 14th MA town.
 - d. Matt Schmid to identify 8-12 “like” towns to be used for comparisons and research.
 - e. Kate Cannie to arrange a meeting with abutters to further explore issues.
 - f. Carol Lisbon to schedule a visit to the RTC by:
 - i. Mike Francis, TTOR.
 - ii. Dover Chief of Police, Fire/EMT, Highway
 - g. Carol Lisbon to schedule RTC visit to
 - i. Council on Aging
 - ii. Board of Health
 - h. Tim Holiner to schedule RTC visit to ConCom for Request for Determination
 - i. Tim Holiner to continue study and write-up on surface options.
 - j. Carol Lisbon to work with Town Counsel on MBTA lease and insurance options.
4. Next meetings: 6/26, 7/10, 7/24, 8/7, 8/21, 9/18, 10/2, 10/16, 10/30, 11/13, 11/27/, 12/11
Open hearing 10/9, 12/18

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Lisbon