

Village Pathway Committee
Meeting Minutes
4/30/09

Members Present:

Ginny Lovett
Pam Coburn
Ann Brienza
Dave Sias
Mark Donohoe

Staff Present:

Angela LaBrecque

The meeting commenced at 3:40

Angela read a letter regarding Senate Bill 203 from John Edgar regarding the WOW trail. Attached is information Mark retrieved online regarding SB203 and the WOW committee report.

Ginny asked if Dave would attend WOW trail meetings. Pam said she would follow up with research regarding SB203. Ginny suggested people support the WOW Ball. Ann voiced her opposition to the WOW trail if a fence is required along the trail.

Notes from members who completed the walks (as proposed by Liz Lapham) were reviewed. Suggestions and comments were made. Pam noted that signage is a top priority.

Bike racks were discussed. A vote was taken and passed to write a letter to Rotary asking for their support for the bike racks after we have taken photos and specify our requests at the following locations: the Skate Park, the Community Park, Hesky Park, Waukegan Town Beach and the Library. Dave will spec out the possible locations, gather information for the next meeting. Mark will speak to the Librarian about their needs and possible location.

The discussion returned to the proposed walks:

1. Swazey Park (from Town Docks > Waukegan Beach)
2. Meredith Village>Community Center>Town Forest (entering on Philbrook Ave)
3. Community Center>Schools or logging road>Prescott Park (wooded unmaintained area)
Plymouth St>Community Ctr>Rt 3 (maintained, sidewalks)
4. Pleasant Street >Pinnacle Park Town Beach (via Wagonwheel). Note the original walk on Barnard Ridge was considered too long and not conducive to walking
5. Town Docks>Rt 25 Shopping Area (as far as Episcopal Church)
6. Water St>Redgate loop (we eliminated the original one on Liz's list as it required crossing Rt 104 and Rt 3 to get to Waukegan Highlands from town)

It was decided to concentrate on #1, #2, # 4 and #6 at the next meeting. We will start with a map of each of these four walks with the goal of identifying signage location and messaging.

Ginny read a letter forwarded from Liz on the "Walk NH' event (6/1-6/7). Angela will inquire about Selectmen approval for the committee to participate and registration. It was recommended that Liz coordinate the committee's involvement.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 28 at 2:30-3:30 (NOTE EARLIER TIME)

Submitted by
Ann Brienza