

BICYCLE PATHWAY AD HOC COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES 10/21/2015 AT 7PM ANNEX ROOM  
CHARLESTOWN TOWN HALL 4540 SOUTH COUNTY TRAIL CHARLESTOWN, RI

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 by Faith LaBossiere

2. ROLL CALL

Faith LaBossiere Sherry Drude, Bill Wilson, Jen Demirs, Jen Hodshon, Pat Lyons

Guest: Sara Bradshaw and Kristin Pereira –Bradford Associates

Cheryl Dowdell-park and recreation

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 9/16/2015

Pat Lyons motioned to accept minutes of 9/16/2015 and Jen Demirs seconded the motion.

All members were in favor.

4. COMMUNICATIONS/GUEST

a. Bradford Associates Landscape Architects: Sara Bradford and Kristin Pereira gave a lengthy and thorough presentation. The goal being to work within route of existing pavement where possible and add new pavement where needed in grassy field or in the woodland area. For safety in some areas paving will be used with a grassy strip. Six conceptual plans(on record) were handed out for the BPAHC to review and follow along.

b. A motion was made by Pat Lyons for the purpose of presenting a conceptual plan to Mark Stankiewicz Vicky Hilton and other stake holders and Jen Demirs seconded the motion. All members were in favor.

c. Discussion about presentation-

- Bill Wilson questions what will the grassy strips look like? Will grass grow? Maybe mulch, fountain grass, or stone would be explored. Need to speak to police about who uses the roads at the park especially those that may have pedestrian traffic. Unknown what kind of truck traffic or public work trucks might go in and out.
- Pat Lyons talked about cost of overlay pavement verses new surfaces throughout. Might be able to do paving while another project is being done to save monies ie like when basketball courts redone.
- Jen Hodshon voices concerns about safety and signage ie rules of the road, way finding, right of way.
- Faith LaBossiere feels that we need to ask all parties for input ie disc golf, Frosty Drew, Senior Center since the path is going to touch on all of these areas.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORTS

a. Pat and Faith Sept22nd meeting with designers, Town Departments –two way design; make use of existing pavement; 8' wide minimum; distance markers and exercise stations; no parking at Frosty Drew; roadway is 40' wide; interior pathways blocked for vehicles.

b. Jonathan power line ROW- not present but researching how Bristol and Warren were able to use this land in their pathways

c. Faith: P&R meeting shared that they share our plan and that going forward we need to share all information with a P&R liaison.

d. Jen H: shared that she will continue to work on the bike safety fair.

6. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. Vice Chair Appointment Bill Wilson
  
7. OLD BUSINESS
  - a. Safety measures to recommend to Town Council
    - List on record and will be presented to Town in the future
  - b. Patrice: Pathways east from Ninigret Park-not present but she continues her research
  
8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING
  - a. Committee members should submit one week prior to next meeting.
  
9. PUBLIC COMMENTS –NO
  
10. NEXT MEETING: 11/18/2015 7pm ANNEX CONFERENCE ROOM
  
11. ADJOURNMENT 8:46 PM: Motion to adjourn made by Bill Wilson and seconded by Jen Hodshon

Respectfully submitted

Sherry Drude Secretary