

**GEORGETOWN RECREATION PATH COMMITTEE**

January 26, 2012

Meeting Minutes 7:00 PM

Town Hall – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room

**Meeting Opened:** 7:15 pm

**Committee Member Attendees:** (x indicates attendance)

X	Jeff Wade, Chairman (JW)	X	Bill Hastings, member (BH)	X	Bill Munroe, member (BM)
X	Chris Roop, member (CR)	X	Richard (Dick) Paganelli (RP)		

**Friends of the Committee:**

**Guests:**

**Abbreviations and Terms:** ROW – Right of Way, FST - Fay, Spofford and Thorndike, GT – Georgetown

**Minutes Approval:** January 12, 2012 approved as written

**Correspondence:**

1. Letter from DOT Shawn Holland about Gary Morris
2. Reply to DOT inquiry about Gary Morris

**Meetings Attended:**

1. RP attended Park and Rec committee meeting 1/25/12
2. JW attended TAC meeting 1/20/12

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Parks and Recreation committee meeting
  - a. RP presented proposal for an integrated bylaw to cover all parks and recreational facilities including the rail trail. The committee appreciated the work and was in agreement with the approach.
  - b. RP was approved to move forward with the revision of the bylaw and will return to the next meeting.
  - c. Parks & Recreation Committee will allow public parking at American Legion Park.
2. TAC Meeting
  - a. Discussion held about the possibility of the state providing additional wetlands flagging and surveying that will be required if the trail is rerouted off the currently designated trail (which is already surveyed). Shawn Holland is looking into getting funding as long as the towns will fund the FST design work required.
  - b. JW needs to provide Shawn list what areas GT wants surveyed. BH needs to contact the owner of the lot behind the Water department building to determine the status of the land and possibility of using it for parking and trail routing.
  - c. Crossings – there were three configurations of crosswalks discussed depending on the traffic. There will not be any stop lights for traffic. The options are:
    - i. Crosswalk striping on the roadway and signs.
    - ii. Crosswalk, signs and activated flashing lights
    - iii. Crosswalk, signs and activated flashing lights and secondary sign up-road
  - d. RP will send a letter to the traffic committee and highway surveyor to update them on plans that are being prepared for crossings related to the trail.
  - e. FST will put together a list of residents that provided communications about the trail at the public meeting in West Boxford.
  - f. The next meeting will be March 23 in GT or Boxford.
3. Getting ROW
  - a. RP will get federal requirements for ROW.
  - b. JW will contact FST about the additional areas we will need to have designed as well as about the design for the routing in the center of town.
  - c. JW will contact Chuck Keilty about moving forward on doing the P&S agreements for ROW or easements.

d. BH will contact the owners of the land we need to work with.

**Other:**

**Adjourn:** 8:57 pm

**Scheduled Committee Meetings (2<sup>nd</sup> fl. meeting room, 7PM , 2/9, 2/23, 3/8, 3/22, 4/12 (basement), 4/26, 5/10, 5/24, 6/14 (basement), 6/28**

**Other Meetings:**