

**GEORGETOWN RECREATION PATH COMMITTEE**

May 10, 2012

Meeting Minutes 7:00 PM

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

**Meeting Opened:** 7:06 pm

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

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

**Friends of the Committee:**

**Guests:** Howard Snyder, Georgetown Town Planner (HS)

**Abbreviations and Terms:** NG – National Grid, KOD – Kathleen O’Donnell, MVMPO (MPO) - Merrimack Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization, ConCom – GT Conservation Commission, RDA – Request for Determination of Applicability (Conservation Commission), FST - Fay, Spofford and Thorndike

**Minutes Approval:**

**Correspondence:**

1. Email from MVMPO

**Meetings Attended:**

1. National Grid 5/9/12. JW, HS

**Discussion:**

1. Bridge discussion: BH investigated possible vendors to work with on bridge design. Home Depot did not provide the services we were interested in and another vendor wasn’t interested in working with the committee.
2. Title Search: Got referral to law firm for title work. JW will talk to KOD for additional recommendation.
3. National Grid meeting:
  - a. Representatives from Topsfield, Boxford, Georgetown and Newbury along with KOD met with National Grid at their offices.
  - b. NG has agreed to give Georgetown a license and expects to deliver it next week.
  - c. Each town is negotiating a separate license agreement.
  - d. Plan for Phase 1 will be restricted to mowing, trimming and use.
  - e. Implementation of Phase 1 plan is subject to completion of all permitting.
  - f. Any additional changes will be part of Phase 2 and will require an amendment to the license.
4. MVMPO email:
  - a. Communication from Betsy Goodrich. TIP for 2013-2016 has been amended and a new draft has been issued with additional funding for eligible projects.
  - b. Rec Path will submit proposal for funding of the northern half of the Georgetown trail.
  - c. HS will be attending the monthly meetings.
5. ConCom: HS will meet with Steve Przyjenski, conservation agent, to discuss next steps for proceeding on RDA.
6. Motion was made by JW and seconded by BH that we invite FST to the next meeting for consultation services on an hourly basis. Motion was unanimously approved.

**Other:**

**Adjourn:** 8:46 pm

**Scheduled Committee Meetings (2<sup>nd</sup> fl. meeting room), 7PM** 5/24, 6/14 (basement), 6/28

**Other Meetings:**