

WREP Meeting Minutes of 3/1/06.

Location: Hull

Attendees: Dick Avery, Faith Burbank, Judeth Van Hamm, Courtney Mullen, Karen Farber

Lawry Reid, Jerry Fiske, Jim Rodgers, David Clinton, Kirk Shilts

Scribe: Scott Plympton

The Minutes from 2/1/05 were reviewed and minor corrections noted. (it is WRWA, not SPWA Auction for Green bldg.)

Land Protection Plan Amendments

Additional Routes

Judeth proposed additional routes around the estuary for walking and bicycling to include Worlds End, the train station and the Landfill.

- Faith noted that Hingham Traffic Safety and Selectmen had pre-approved the plan. The additions would require additional approval.
- No sidewalks exist to Worlds End and would be expensive.

Action:

- Leave off the additions. Make no changes. Review again at a later date.

Motion:

- To include the map of routes as originally defined as an Appendix 1.
- Approved

Motion:

- To include the Access Policy, as amended, to the LPP as Appendix 2.
- Approved

Minor Map changes

It was noted that these changes may not match the Hingham's Assessors map

Motion:

- It was requested that the maps should reference their source and when revised. Approved.

Judith has informed the Hull agencies that the LPP is coming.

Rockland Street (Drainage Systems) Project

Faith reports that a large town and state team is currently addressing the Rockland Street drainage according to best practices.

- Groups include: USDA, Highway Dept, DPW, Cons Com, Sewer, etc.
- Goals: To reduce flooding
- They are meeting monthly and looking for funding
- 25% of the design is finished. A review is next.

- Note: We should be cognizant of resource overloading and not add extra WREP project activities on them.
- Discussions from SPWA were tabled

Motion

- Judith: We will write letters of support at the appropriate time.
Approved.

WRWA Auction

Courtney reports that the auction activities are going well. Many sponsors have signed up.

- We have 75-80 items received for donation
- There is a 3/6 cut-off for ads and donations. Ads to go to paper soon. Sam is maintaining the list.
- 50 tickets sold
- Speakers are lining up. Hedlund and Bradley have agreed and there are approx. 12 speakers to show diversity. Discussions ensued on content for the speakers. Expectations of 200 people to attend.
- Volunteers are needed. Both to assist with advanced sales, and to assist the day of the event (i.e., checking, etc).

Activity Matrix Review

- See Matrix for updates

Upcoming Events / Announcements

- WRWA (see webpage): May 11, 7:00. Presentation on low impact development and storm water Management
- WRWA presentation 3/15, on treating Cushing Pond for weeds
- Weir River: Spring Clean Up Day May 20
- Building Sustainable Transportation workshop will be put on by Pam Wolfe. The towns and state are interested. Proposed to be held at Jakes on 4/8.
- Rain Gardens lecture "*A beautiful way to control storm water and improve water quality*". Sara Grady, a Watershed Ecologist with the NSRWA will be sharing her knowledge. March 15, 7:00PM at Red Parrot. Sponsored by Hull Garden Club, WRWA, and NSRWA.
- Dune Grass Planting: Last Sunday in March (3/26)

Next Meeting

- Our next meeting will be Hingham April 5 at 7:00 Agenda to include:
 - Access Policy discussions
 - Proposed ribbon cutting for Estuary nature trail (Eagle scout project)