

RT 109 Design Committee
Meeting Minutes January 6, 2015

Medway Sr. Center, 7:00 pm

Members Present: Dennis Crowley, Chair
Dan Hooper
Matt Buckley
Maryjane White
Paul Yorkis

Other Attendees: Dave D'Amico, Medway DPS
Geoff Howie, GPI

1. No minutes approved.

Brief discussion on pocket parks. Mechanic Street is the only identified parcel at present with some gift and grant funds established for it. Work to be complete by 6/30/15. Minimal State funds will be used for this location. Other possibilities include Drybridge Crossing, Pond Street, and Goulds. No further action at this point.

2. Ornamental traffic signals were discussed. A design that compliments the street lights would be wanted. GPI will provide some samples from recent jobs. GPI anticipates an extra charge of \$100,000 over standard equipment. Some discussion followed on asking the State to fund the added costs. Initial reaction was to include the items as part of the project costs.
3. Discussed schedule and current major items pending. Still awaiting Environmental clearance to officially begin ROW process. MassDOT wants a utilities meeting to discuss some pole related issues and constructability of some sections. NOI work on-going.
4. Mr. Yorkis requested a sign to be installed at Chicken Brook identifying that waterway. The Committee endorsed the idea. Mr. Howie responded that this should be possible.
5. Open discussion on Choate Park entrance to build a general concept of an acceptable design. Several ideas and thoughts concerning height of walls, pillars, ornamental fencing and the like were discussed. Mr. Howie explained that an early concept with a high wall along RT 109 would not work as site distance for vehicles leaving the park and entering Main Street would not be sufficient creating a safety problem. A revised concept using short walls and tall entry pillars was generally endorsed. Mr. Howie would work with Copley-Wolfe to present something to the Pocket Park Task Force for review.

Adjourn at 8:30 pm.