

TOWN OF STOW
Lower Village Sub-Committee

Minutes of the September 26, 2007, Lower Village Sub-Committee Meeting.

Present: Committee Members: Bruce Fletcher, Laura Spear, Russ Willis and Karen Kelleher
Associate Member: Phil Moseley
Selectman: Steve Dungan

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on the Lower Village Common.

Reviewed Action Items

Pedestrian Refuge Islands

Bruce Fletcher reported that he, Don McPherson, Phil Moseley and Mike Clayton met in Lower Village to determine the location for the temporary refuge islands. Mike Clayton will work on obtaining 8 jersey barriers and lining up reflectors and warning signs. Bruce will follow up with him.

Reclaim Public Land in front of Shoemaker Property

Phil Moseley shared a copy of the Plan prepared by Inland Survey. Bruce Fletcher was able to locate the iron pipes; therefore, there is no need to install bounds. Members discussed if it makes sense to do much in that area before the roundabouts are installed, but discussed the possibility of cleaning up the area and creating a gravel pathway.

Sidewalks

Laura Spear said she would rather focus on a path along the common and the cemetery. Members noted the need to accommodate foot traffic from Bradley Lane to the Shopping Center.

Fence Specifications

Phil Moseley said he would like to use the hand cut granite posts from the Maine Company at the Common. He is concerned that they may not be readily or easily accessible to property owners for the fence in the rest of the village. He found a place in Groton, MA that offers a colonial style granite post (rough cut on 4 sides). Phil said that Don McPherson disagrees. Don would like to see the posts from Maine throughout the village.

Members discussed if the specifications should be changed from 8' to 6'. Phil Moseley suggested waiting until the next meeting so Don McPherson can participate.

Water

Steve Dungan reported that the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is a powerful ally in helping to resolve the water issue in the Lower Village. They are in contact with Linear Retail and Meeting House at Stow to urge them to take part in Assabet Water Company's plan. The financial numbers were forwarded to Linear Retail, and DEP is willing to commit to low interest loans.

Adjournment

The Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Kelleher, Member

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