Pathways Committee August 15, 2012 Minutes

In attendance: Jim Eisenhower, George Vanderheiden, David Ford, Mal Blodget, Art Slocum, Paul DesMarais, Kathy Barnard

Chairman Jim Eisenhower called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

Treasurer's report - There have been no expenditures since the last Pathways Committee meeting except for the monthly payment of \$35.00 to WEDCO.

A motion was made, seconded and all voted to approve the July 18, 2012 minutes.

Dave Ford reported on the Elm Street pathway. This should be considered a pathway rather than a sidewalk since it would be a very costly project to create a sidewalk from Bay Street to Center Street. A curb should be considered for safety reasons. The pathway should be kept somewhat natural - possibly adding stone dust. We do need to improve the pathway and address safety issues. Dave will return to Pathways with some cost estimates. It was agreed that this is an important project since it will provide improved access from Bay Street and Harriman Hill to Center Street and the Rail Trail.

Dave Ford then provided an update on the Filter Bed Road access. The Town had placed magnesium chloride on the road, but that had not improved the road conditions. The road is not in good shape. Dave Ford will consider adding crushed gravel (a section at a time) to improve the condition of the road.

Dave will obtain a price for a tunnel under Center Street in the area of the Nick.

Minutes taken by Kathy Barnard Ended at 5:30PM

Submitted by Kathy Barnard August 16, 2012