Wolfeboro Pathways Committee October 20, 2014 Meeting Minutes Public Works Conference Room

In attendance: Jim Eisenhower, John Adams, Mal Blodget, Peter Cole, Vaune Dugan, Art Slocum, Barbara Laverick, Gene Solod, Paul DesMarais, Dave Ford, Kathy Barnard

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

Jim reported that Pathways has \$41,624.75 in the WEDCO account.

Dave Ford updated the Committee on the status of the two NHDOT Funding requests - one for a tunnel under Route 28 from Albee Beach to the Nick and the other for improvements (for bicyclists and walkers) in the Downtown area. The consensus of the Committee members was that the Downtown project is a priority since it would address pedestrian and biking safety issues. A stakeholders meeting will be held in May 2015.

Dave Ford reported that he will be having a site meeting with NHDOT representative Bill Lambert to discuss ways to address safety concerns about the crosswalk from the Rail trail crossing Route 28. Several suggestions were made including new signs on the trail to caution bikers/walkers to stop and look before crossing the street, to make eye contact with motorists and thank the motorists for stopping.

Paul DesMarais discussed a proposed trail from Sewall Woods to Keewaydin Road as an alternative to North Main Street for bikers/walkers. The trail would leave Sewall Woods and go on Dudley Road and Frank Goodwin Drive. These are private roads. Jim Eisenhower will talk to Jim Nupp who lives on Frank Goodwin Drive about obtaining permission to use the road. Gene Solod suggested that people could park at Carry Beach since no parking could take place on the private roads.

Paul DesMarais also briefly discussed the proposed extension of the Cotton Valley trail for about a mile. Grant funds are being pursued.

Jim reported that grass is growing on the Sewall Woods trails in some area. A work party will be organized to address this issue and other maintenance issues.

Kathy Barnard reported that there is no activity on the map project to report at this time.

The next Pathways Committee meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00PM.

Submitted by Kathy Barnard October 23, 2014