

Minutes
Pathways Committee
August 18, 2010

Members present: Jim Eisenhower, Tom O'Brien, Rob Houseman, Mal Blodget, Kathy Barnard

Jim Eisenhower called the meeting to order at 3:05PM.

Rob Houseman reported that Dan Coons (Ilex Wetlands Consultants) has completed the Wetlands (Dredge and Fill) permit application and it has been sent to NHDES. Rob and Dan Coons will meet with the Inspector of Record in Concord next week to determine if the Inspector has any questions. The permit is needed by September 30, 2010. The cost to prepare the application is about \$9,000.

The contract for the construction of the Sewall Woods bike paths has been signed by the contractor and returned to Rob Houseman. The contract is contingent on Rob giving Josh (the contractor) the green light to start construction on 9/30/2010. The completion date is November 15, 2010. All equipment must be removed from Sewall Woods by that date.

There was a discussion about paving Filter Bed Road since it would probably last longer. Rob Houseman will get a cost for the Committee so we can determine if there will be a cost savings.

There was a discussion about the replacement of culverts at Sewall Woods. Five culverts need to be replaced due to the increased width of the new trails. The total cost will be approximately \$2,000.

Jim Eisenhower gave a fund raising update. Pledges now total \$222,023. There is a total of \$185,423 in cash. \$9,000 is needed for the permits. \$183,297 is needed to start the construction at Sewall Woods. We are approximately \$6,800 away from the full amount needed for Sewall Woods.

There was a discussion about available grants. The application needs to be submitted to Meredith Village Savings Bank by October 15, 2010. Kathy Barnard and Barbara Laverick will prepare the application.

Web site – Jim Nupp will manage the web site.

Publicity – there was discussion about submitting an article to the Granite State News once we obtain the wetlands permit. Also, there was discussion about an article regarding \$25,000 matching grant.

The next scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at 3:00PM.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50PM.

Submitted by
Kathy Barnard
August 23, 2010