Pathways Committee May 16, 2012 Minutes

In attendance: Jim Eisenhower, George Vanderheiden, Vaune Dugan, Jim Nupp, Fred Tedeschi, Peter Cole, Barbara Laverick, Art Slocum, Kathy Barnard

Chairman Jim Eisenhower called the meeting to order at 5:05PM.

Jim Eisenhower then introduced new members Vaune Dugan, Fred Tedeschi and Peter Cole who have recently been appointed to the Pathways Committee by the Board of Selectmen. Jim Eisenhower and Kathy Barnard were reappointed. Jim Nupp has also been appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

There was a discussion about the Pathways Committee. This is a Town Committee and does no fund raising. The fund raising is done by Pathways of Wolfeboro. There has been a concern raised regarding access to the Sewall Wood trails for handicapped individuals since there is a sign at the entrance saying no motorized vehicles. This sign needs to be moved further on to the property owned by the Lakes Region Conservation Trust. Further there needs to be a sign on the parking lot stating the parking lot is a private parking lot (owned by the Flaggs). There is also a need for a trash receptacle near the entrance to the trails. There was discussion about a port-a-potty to be handicap accessible. Jim Nupp will get more information regarding the size and cost. There also needs to be discussion regarding the location of the port-a-potty.

Barbara Laverick and Kathy Barnard reported that Bike and Walk to School and Work Day held on May 11th was a success. This event is sponsored by Parks and Recreation, Pathways and The Safe Routes To School Program.

Jim Eisenhower reported that there will be a meeting at 10:00AM on May 21, 2012 with Josh Ryan from Timber and Stone, Rob Houseman and any Pathways Committee members interested in attending to look at the condition of the Sewall Woods trails.

There was a general discussion about the importance of connecting all of the trails in a safe manner by widening the roads or improved shoulders. We need to have a map showing all of the trails and maps in the downtown area directing people to safe biking routes and Town attractions..

Jim Eisenhower will order 1000 more brochures showing the Sewall Woods trails and Abenaki Trail. These will be distributed throughout Town.

The next meeting will be held on June 20, 2012, 5:00PM at the Community Center

Submitted by Kathy Barnard; May 21, 2012