

SAFEPATH MEETING
December 13, 2022
Macomber Room

Attendees: Mary Ann Driscoll, Paul Legere, Philip Marcus, Jane Finn, Nancy Vailis, Pam Stearns, Guy Stearns, Nancy Borden, Dick Spaulding,

Mary Ann Driscoll called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

1. Pat Wilson made a motion to accept the October 14, 2022 Minutes. Phillip Marcus seconded the motion. All approved.

2. Report on Commons: Mary Ann spoke to Jeff Hyland the plans are not ready yet to submit to Rye Beach for a bid. CMA is delayed completing the plans.

Dick Spaulding asked if anything can be done with the fence? We have a timeline that the \$50,000 from the town needs to be spent by the end of May.

Pat Wilson asked if the fence can be ordered now in case there is a supply chain issue?

Jane Finn and Mary Ann will look into having a fence meeting soon. There was discussion as to the need for a gate at the dog fence opening since the gate is never closed.

3. Report from Ironwood Pit to Causeway:

Carol White sent Jeff Hyland information on Frost Cemetery by Henry's. If construction is done in the right of way there will need to be an archeological study.

Don Gough as design ideas around the school. AJ Dupere from Urban Forestry Center let Jeff know there are a number of Ash trees that have Ash bore. There may be money to cut down and replace the trees. The source of the money is unknown.

4. TAP Grant Report:

This is from the dog fence to Pitt Lane. We have 3 certified TAP agents, Chris Robillard, Arron White, Ken MacDonald. Jane spoke to Chris and he is going to look at the TAP Grant regarding to see if there is design money left.

There was a discussion about the crosswalk. A sidewalk needs to be present for a crosswalk. The latest plan was passed around. Mary Ann would like to move forward. Nancy Vallis has worked with the neighbors and will come to a consensus on a final design. As of now the neighbors will support a plan that is only in the right way. A photo image is going to be computer generated with both options one with a sidewalk and one with a widened shoulder. The cost of the renderings is \$3,500. It has not been decided how the photo will be presented.

5. NHDOT Causeway:

Mary Ann brought up the Select Board Meeting of Monday November 21, 2022 where the DOT presented the current study to address sea level rise and how it effects the causeway. At the end of the presentation the DOT informed us that the causeway is not on the 10 year plan. Suggestions were to call Kate Murray and Janet Stevens to get suggestions who we write letters to.

Jane Finn reported that the Select Board wrote a letter to get on the ten year plan.

Jane will report back. We can support there efforts by writing letters.

6. Warrant Article:

Todd was out of town, there is no update.

7. Big Idea:

Paul Legere spoke to the Rear Admiral and confirmed the town has the first crack at purchasing the Coastguard Property. It will be sold at market value. Jane report the Select Board is having the property appraised and does not know when it will be done. We were given an extension until May so the proposal can be voted on at the Town Meeting. Ideas would floated about how we can support the Select Board in the acquisition of this land for the town.

8. Trust Account Update:

\$247,885.89 in trust account, that includes the \$10,000. donation we received last month.

\$50,000. In DPW Budget

9. Public questions:

When will the photos be done for the sidewalk/widened shoulder? They will be done before the end of the year and be presented to the neighbors after the first of next year.

Dick Spaulding asked the purpose of the warrant article from Rogers lane to the dog fence. He has concerns if the request is too high it will be voted down and perhaps it word be better to ask for an amount that would most likely pass.

Phillip made a motion to adjourn. Paul seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:31 AM.

Respectively submitted,

Pat Wilson

Next meeting Tuesday, January10, 2023