



BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DATE: **Thursday, January 18, 2018** *TIME:* **6:00 PM**
PLACE: **Town Offices** *ADDRESS:* **50 Billerica Road** *ROOM:* **200**

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Members Present: J. Kelsey, T. Gazda, R. Schneider, D. Antonelli, M. Carignan, R. Klinkhammer, K. Taylor, S. Pustell, R. Morse
Members Absent None
Public Present: D. McNurland
Guests: Lt. Colin Spence

6:00 Public Input

- D. McNurland stated that ribbon cutting for the BFRT Phase 2A is tentatively scheduled for May 18, 2018.

6:05 Announcements

- None

6:10 Update on No Motorized Bicycles and No Snowmobiles on the Rail Trail (T. Gazda)

- Lt. Collin Spence attended the meeting to discuss this topic.
- The State Law on motorized bicycles would supersede any other local regulation.
- BPAC discussed atypical situation of instances where motorized bicycle assists a user that might not be considered disabled but that a motor assists their travels on the bike trail.
- K. Taylor will reach out to Minuteman Trail and determine what their policy is for motorized assist bicycles and how they have dealt with this issue.
- Regarding snowmobile or other vehicles on the trail, Lt. Spence requested that any observance of these types of vehicles be reported to the police.
- Lt. Spence suggested using electronic sign board this spring, in various areas of town, when available, to post the message of "no motorized bicycles on rail trail".
- Post the same message on the BPAC website and possibly the Friend of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail website.

6:50 Status of Plans for Carol Cleven Park/Status of Art Walk Restoration - (R. Morse, R. Schneider)

- Status Quo on project plans-there have been no announcements about the Grist Mill project going forward at this point.
- BPAC will await any announcements on this Grist Mill project to determine if park enhancements will be included if this project is taken over.

7:00 Broken Tire Pump – Status of Repair or Replacement (J. Kelsey)

- J. Kelsey received replacement parts but they were not the same as the old ones. He contacted the manufacturer and they relayed how to convert it and it has been fixed. This pump will be placed out in the spring.
- J. Kelsey will submit the invoice for reimbursement.

7:10 Preliminary Review of DPW Items List for March Meeting

- BPAC discussed and reviewed list of items to discuss with DPW.
- Any additions can be sent to J. Kelsey.
- BPAC will finalize this list in February and then send to S. Jahnle ahead of March meeting.

7:30 Approval of Meeting Minutes – Regular Session December 21, 2017

- K. Taylor made a motion to approve December 21, 2017 minutes as amended. Seconded by M. Carignan. Approved. Abstentions R. Morse and S. Pustell.

7:35 Updates:

Trail Maintenance Program (B. Schneider)
BPAC Account Status (T. Gazda)

- Final invoice for portable toilets was processed for \$100.00
- Current balance is \$1028.71
- T. Gazda will submit a funding request to the Friends of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail for portable toilets for 2018 season.
- BPAC discussed possible request for handicap accessible portable toilet for the trail next season.

7:45 New Business:

- New items
- D. Antonelli mentioned overhanging trees along the trail as well as broken fence along Village Square and behind laundromat.

8:00 Adjournment

- S. Pustell made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by D. Antonelli. Approved unanimously.

Next Regular Session: Thursday February 15, 2018 (6PM)