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**DATE:** Thursday, June 17, 2021

**TIME:** 6:30 PM

**PLACE:** Town Offices **ADDRESS:** 50 Billerica Road **ROOM:** 205

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## Meeting Minutes

Members Attending: T. Gazda, R. Klinkhammer, R. Schneider, M. Carignan, S. Pustell, J. Kelsey, D. Antonelli,

Members Absent: J. Haouchine

Public Present: D. McNurland

### 6:30 Public Input

- D. McNurland offered information on several items:
  - Reminded that the Friends Summer Solstice Ride will be on Monday June 21<sup>st</sup> starting at Pedal Power in Acton.
  - No news on the status of the Lowell extension of the BFRT. Lowell needs easements on two lots along the ROW due to portions of the ROW sold off in the past.
  - There were 512 signatures on the Petition to keep Phase 2D on the Mass DOT TIP list for FY22.
  - The E-bike issue rose again at the Friend Board Meeting. Acton is allowing them, Concord is on the fence.
- T. Gazda commented that on the MassTrails Zoom meeting, E-bikes came up and it was indicated that Mass Trails has not established a position on their use on trails.

### 6:40 Announcements

- R. Schneider indicated concern about litter along the Heart Pond portion of the trail. He has been picking it up when he goes by that area.

### 6:50 Status of Bench Donation from Diane Leath (J. Kelsey)

- Diane Leath indicated to J. Kelsey an estimated ship date of June 17<sup>th</sup>.

### 7:05 Status of Bench Donation from Elena Theofilopoulos (R. Klinkhammer, T. Gazda)

- T. Gazda emailed Elena regarding a possible ship date for her donated bench. No response as of June 17<sup>th</sup>.

### 7:20 Pond Street Kiosk Status (T. Gazda)

- T. Gazda reported that he received a response from Rob Baratta, the Nashoba Tech Carpentry Shop Instructor, indicating they were still interested in the project for the next school year. He said he will contact us at the beginning of the fall semester to review the project and materials estimate so the project can be scheduled.
- T. Gazda indicated that it will be necessary to review the cost estimate in the fall and determine what additional funds might be available or needed should the materials cost exceed the 2019 estimate.

### 7:20 Update on Brick Donation Program for Carol Cleven Park (S. Pustell)

- S. Pustell measured a roughly trapezoidal shaped area in front of the interpretive displays and determined that would require about 140 bricks. At \$50 a brick donated amount that would raise about \$4-5K. Completion of the lead up path would increase the brick count to about 300 bricks with a raised amount of \$10-12K. These money figures would be reduced by the cost of the bricks at around \$20-\$25/brick. Logos on bricks cost more per brick.
- S. Pustell will investigate means of advertising sale of the bricks.

- S. Pustell will send the area dimensions to J. Kelsey who will prepare a drawing of the area.

**7:30 Update on New BPAC Email Address (R. Klinkhammer)**

- J. Kelsey updated the forwarding from the Gmail address. R. Klinkhammer will test the forwarding.

**7:40 Approval of Meeting Minutes - Regular Session May 20, 2021**

- A motion to approve the minutes of May 20, 2021 as amended was made by J. Kelsey and seconded by M. Carignan. Motion carries. Abstentions by D. Antonelli.

**7:45 Updates:**

- R. Schneider reported some offensive graffiti under the Rt. 495 bridges. He will send some pictures to T. Gazda who will notify Mass DOT so that they can paint it over.
- A question was raised about whether DPW plans to replace the railing sections removed at Heart Pond where access points to the water were created during the trail repair process.
- D. Antonelli reported that the Police Department removed a homeless person encampment near the Bartlett Park Connector Path to the Rail Trail.

BPAC Account Status (T. Gazda)

- T. Gazda reported that \$280.00 was paid out to United Site Services for the portable toilets on the BFRT. Current account balance is \$4,554.22.

**7:50 New Business:**

- New items for future meetings
  - J. Kelsey will investigate the cost to replace again the tire pump at the bike repair station at Cushing Place.
  - It was noted that the weed growth along the trail behind Village Square was getting bad.

**8:00 Adjournment**

- A motion to adjourn was made by J. Kelsey and seconded by D. Antonelli. Unanimous vote.

**Next Regular Session: July 15, 2021 (6:30 PM)**