Norwell Pathways Committee Meeting Notes 13 Jan 09

Present: K. Cafferty, B. Jackson, D. Osborne, S. Raeside, A. Staples, R. Twigg, D. Vose, T. Thomas, Town Planner, and S.Ivas.

- 1. Agenda moved with addition of GIS mapping added, by DO, seconded by AS, voted at 7:04 PM.
- 2. Minutes of 12 Dec 08 approved, motion by DO, seconded by BJ, with amendment for date of this meeting changed from 12 to 13 January 09.

3. Grants Committee.

- A. Grants Consultant results to date spreadsheet provided that shows potential grants, and funders with some details. Consensus to invite consultant in to next meeting.
- B. SI reported that Grant Consultant W. Garpow had noted a **pattern with funders**, which provides support for applicants that are associated with educational institutions. Discussion followed regarding contacting PTOs of schools in Norwell. **Need volunteers to speak with PTO officers at each school. DV said that he would check in with Vinal School. SR will check on Cole School.**
- C. AS and discussion regarding **questionnaire to evaluate the funders**. Ended discussion with DO and BJ each reviewing in detail ½ of the funders, and investigating, TT and SI said they would also look at all funders (on a less detailed basis).
- D. RT discussed preparation of independent project description to be utilized in grant applications.
- E. Motion made by AS to **pay Grants consultant Invoice # 1 (\$2,069.00)**, seconded by SI, voted unanimously by Committee at 7:44 PM.

4. President-elect's Stimulus Package.

- A. KC noted \$200B available. Even though one deadline has passed, there was consensus that additional support may be available later, so it may be prudent to plan for same.
- B. Discussed looking at **Town's RFP for standard engineering services**, i.e., services not to exceed amount certain. Discussed phased services, with sections of pathway. TT to find standard Norwell Town language.

5. GIS Mapping.

- A. SI provided KC and RT a **test file** in a number of different formats on CD for printing out at a large format (2 x 3 ft), to determine which will provide the best and cleanest lines. The test file is an ArcView file that shows assessors parcels and streets in Norwell.
- B. This lead to a discussion of creating a **presentation for other groups.** SI noted that he would bring a **laptop to the next meeting** and show the group ArcView possibilities for presentation and planning purposes. TT will obtain a projector for the use of the Committee for the next meeting.

6. 1996 Bikeway Update.

- A. **Flynn Easement.** DV contacted Flynn, and spoke with both Mr. And Mrs. on phone regarding easement. They appeared to be supportive of Committee's work, and noted that they would not want any easement paved. Mr. Flynn undergoing surgery, and we should follow up at the end of February with them. Discussed sending a short note from chairman thanking them for initial comment. RT noted that this would be a good application for our overall description, with preparation of draft plans of the area.
- B. Mullen Property. Still with Board of Selectmen.
- C. **AW Perry Property.** No responses from Vice President Constable. AS made motion, seconded by RT to offer the Company \$5,000 for the property that is assessed at \$3,900, which is landlocked. Voted unanimously at 8:17 PM.
- D. **Rt. 53 Crossing.** Still pending, RT and DO to look at sight distances, and make recommendations.
- E. TT provided memo from Norwell Conservation Commission regarding guidelines when creating a new path in the Town of Norwell.
- 7. Site Walks. Delayed due to cold weather.

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8. Bobstay Lane discussion.

DV introduced discussion, 10 acres, three owners along Lane wish to subdivide, and provide connection to Town property in rear of subdivision.

RT noted Bobstay Lane was paved without permission, without drainage, and TT added that if extended, it would have to be brought up to Town standards all the way to Pine Street.

TT noted that this may connect Pine St. To parallel to Wildcat Lane, and Wildcat is now connected to Donovan.

Consensus that we need to walk area to see where Bobstay Lane land intersects with Conservation-owned parcel that is adjacent to Wildcat Lane.

Parcel 68-42 is Tow-owned property.

Meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM with motion by RT, KC seconded, unanimous vote.

Next Meeting Tuesday 27 Jan 09, 7 PM, Rm 112 Norwell Town Hall