

Pathway Committee Meeting Minutes

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MEETING DATE: Wednesday, April 4, 2018
TIME SCHEDULED: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: Planning Dept., Town Offices, Room 112
MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Cafferty, Chair (At-Large)
 Patrick Palzkill, Vice-Chair (At-Large)
 Brendan Sullivan, Clerk (Planning Board)
 James Kelliher (At-Large)
 Pamela Brake, Alt. Member (At-Large)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Christopher Madden (Recreation)
 Robert Woodill (Conservation)
 Brendan Recupero (At-Large)

TOWN EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Kenneth Kirkland (Town Planner)

Agenda

Chair Cafferty called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. The motion was approved 5-0.

Outstanding 2017, January 3, & February 7, 2018 Pathway Committee Meeting

Chair Cafferty moved to approve the Outstanding 2017, January 3, & February 7, 2018 Pathway Committee Meeting Minutes. The motion was approved 5-0.

Bills

Horsley Witten Wompatuck \$1471.70

Member Sullivan moved to approve the invoice as submitted. The motion was approved 5-0. The invoice will go the Community Preservation Committee for their signature.

Pedestrian & Bicycle Pathway Phase III: Emily Rowe of Central Street, inquired about the present status of Pathway Phase III. Member Sullivan indicated that Rowe had come to the Planning Board meeting on Wednesday 3/28 and had asked for an update on the status of the Pathway. Chair Cafferty stated that the Plans were sent to Highway Surveyor Ferguson for comment, as some proposed work would affect traffic and an island in the road. Highway Surveyor Ferguson had not indicted any issues with the Plans as drawn.

Chair Cafferty also stated that Phase III construction would utilize the same consortium of workers that Highway Surveyor Ferguson would use for completing the work associated with the Complete Streets Tier 3 Construction Grant Program.

Gaffield Park Parking & Pathway Connection: Member Kelliher, as a member of the Commission on Disabilities, suggested that the Committee should look into extending pavement from the Pathway into the Gaffield Park parking lot for ADA-compliance. While both areas (Pathway and parking lot) are paved, the area between the two are not, and pose a significant ADA risk to handicapped individuals who attempt to utilize the Park via the Pathway. The Committee agreed to look into existing Pathway funding capacity to address this need.

Public Commentary: Mr. Ed Diorio commented that there were several trees and branches down along the Pathway that are a danger to users. Chair Cafferty indicated that the recent storms had caused significant tree damage across Town, and the Town was still in the process of addressing these issues. He stated that the Highway Department was responsible for trail maintenance and would respond to these issues as soon as they could.

Adjournment: *Chair Cafferty moved to adjourn meeting at 7:33. The motion was approved 5-0.*

Next Scheduled Meeting: April 18, 2018

These minutes have been approved with reading of the minutes by the Norwell Pathway Committee at a public meeting duly noticed and held on October 3, 2018, in accordance with the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Committee Clerk

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