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Pathway Committee Meeting Minutes

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, August 26, 2020
TIME SCHEDULED: 6:00 P.M.
LOCATION: Remote, via Zoom
MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Cafferty, Chair (At-Large)
Brendan Sullivan, Member (Planning Board)
Ellen Markham, Member (Conservation Commission)
Pamela Brake, Member (Alternate)
Heather Hanley, Member (Alternate)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Patrick Palzkill, Vice-Chair (At-Large)
Christopher Madden, Clerk (Recreation Commission)
James Kelliher, Member (At-Large)
William Lazzaro, Member (At-Large)

TOWN EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Kenneth Kirkland, (Town Planner)

Agenda

Chair Cafferty moved to start the meeting at 6:00pm. The motion was approved 5-0-4 by a roll call vote.

Kevin Cafferty:	Aye
Patrick Palzkill:	Absent
Christopher Madden:	Absent
Brendan Sullivan:	Aye
Ellen Markham:	Aye
James Kelliher:	Absent
William Lazzaro:	Absent
Pamela Brake:	Aye
Heather Hanley:	Aye

PC Meeting Minutes

Bills

Vendor	Invoice	Description	Voucher
Horsley Witten	48011	Wompatuck	\$850.00
Scituate Concrete Products	113070	Pathway Ph. III	\$4,695.83

Chair Cafferty moved to approve the invoices as submitted. The motion was approved 5-0-4 by a roll call vote.

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Kevin Cafferty:	Aye
Patrick Palzkill:	Absent
Christopher Madden:	Absent
Brendan Sullivan:	Aye
Ellen Markham:	Aye
James Kelliher:	Absent
William Lazzaro:	Absent
Pamela Brake:	Aye
Heather Hanley:	Aye

Citizen Commentary

Discussion

1. **CPC Application – Whiting Fields Trails & Access Lot:** Member Sullivan briefly updated the Committee that Town Meeting approved the \$75,000 CPC funding request to study the parking and access at the Whiting Fields, and suggested that the existing conceptual layout map showing the existing and potential trail connections could be upgraded to fully-engineered plans. Town Planner Kirkland indicated this would be the best use of existing materials.
2. **Wompatuck Entrance & Parking Lot:** Chair Cafferty indicated the bulk of the meeting was to discuss ways to reduce construction costs of the Access Lot. Doug Luoma, Treasurer; Bill Bowes, Secretary; and Vicky Schow, President, all of Friends of Wompatuck, (FOW) joined the discussion, and indicated that the entrance was a highly anticipated and welcome project, and indicated that the Friends of Wompatuck has a volunteer group who frequently build “bridges” across wetlands with wood donations, and offered assistance to the Committee in this aspect. They indicated that bridge designs could be rendered relatively quickly, and would need the specs from the Plan, as well as if horses would be traversing the bridge, as the design aspects would need to accommodate that.

Chair Cafferty expressed optimism, and stated that construction could be segmented for ADA-compliance purposes, the Access Lot could be built after the FOW built the bridge, depending on timing. It was also mentioned that Highway Surveyor Ferguson could potentially use the Consortium crews working on Pathway Phase III and the Main Street Sidewalk to build the Access Lot parking after they complete the current projects, this would be ideal, given the time FOW would need to flag out location of the bridge. Richard Claytor, P.E., of Horsley Witten stated that the design specs are located in the Plans, and would be helpful for FOW to have.

3. **Pedestrian & Bicycle Pathway Phase III:** No Discussion.

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4. Gaffield Park – Potential Parking / Pathway Connection: No Discussion.

Miscellaneous

Open Space & Recreation Implementation Committee: Member Heather Hanley advised that the Open Space & Recreation Implementation Committee has suggested adding potential future Pathway sections to the Plan to increase chances of construction funding and visibility.

Town Planner's Report

Adjournment

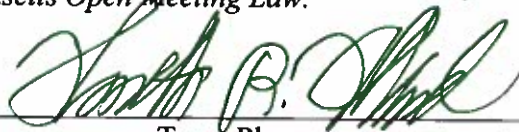
Chair Cafferty moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm. The motion was approved 5-0-4 by a roll call vote.

Kevin Cafferty:	Aye
Patrick Palzkill:	Absent
Christopher Madden:	Absent
Brendan Sullivan:	Aye
Ellen Markham:	Aye
James Kelliher:	Absent
William Lazzaro:	Absent
Pamela Brake:	Aye
Heather Hanley:	Aye

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: TBD – Remote via Zoom

These minutes have been approved with reading of the minutes by the Pathway Committee at a public meeting duly noticed and held on 10/5/2020 in accordance with the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law.

Signed: _____



Town Planner

Pursuant to Committee vote on June 17, 2020, for duration of State of Emergency

Date: _____

10/5/2020

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