

4/24/20 PCAC Minutes and Action plan:

Committee members present via conference call: Melissa Gahr, Seth Hickey, Kate Davis, Pamela Hollasch, Allison Knab.

One member of the public was on the call.

1. Minutes

- a. Adoption of amended minutes approved.

2. May meeting

- a. Next month's meeting will be held on May 26, 2020 at 7 p.m.

3. Paving Schedule

- a. Update from Seth as the paving schedule has changed. No significant town paving projects that would be possible projects for PCAC to look at.
- b. The select board was not in favor of expanding Stratham Heights Road due to budget.
- c. Nate reached out to Seth about possible bike striping this year on Lovell, Union or Gifford Farm Roads.
- d. Melissa proposed the idea of a possible warrant article or citizen's petition to see if there would be public support for widening certain roads in town for bike lanes.
- e. Seth proposed creating a town bike loop. Possible loop would include Guinea, Stratham Heights, Bunker Hill, Winnicutt, Squamscott and loop back on Portsmouth Ave. Seth suggested taking this proposal to the select board possibly in the fall.
- f. Seth will reach out to Rockingham Planning about the engineering of the possible loop.

4. Pop up infrastructure-Move to next month.

5. Conservation Commission meeting update

- a. Melissa attended the Conservation Commission meeting and urged them to add public access to future conservation properties. The Conservation Commission will take that into consideration going forward.

6. Recreational Trails Program

- a. Discussion around possible trail options for upcoming grant application.
- b. Pamela proposed grant money to go towards maintenance on an existing trail from Greta's Way to Scammon. The land is already in conservation, and the trail needs maintaining and bridges rebuilt.
- c. Pamela suggested another possible conservation area to look at for adding trails. The property has river frontage and is near Raeder Dr. and River Road.
- d. Seth and Pamela will decide which property would make more sense to apply for after taking a closer look at those two areas.

7. Autumn Lane and Muirfield Drive property updates.

- a. Melissa spoke with the Autumn Lane owner about possible trail access. The owners are against having people on their property.
- b. Pamela learned of a well road on the Muirfield property that may be a good connector for the Muirfield/ 90R development connection.

c. Pamela will find out who the president of Muirfield homeowners association is.

8. Capital Reserve Fund

a. Allison suggested the PCAC consider advocating for a Capital Reserve Fund for future PCAC-related projects such as widening or striping during road repaving.

b. Allison proposed compiling data from the various studies the PCAC has already had done and bringing it to the Select board to show the need for a Capital Reserve Fund.