

Minutes draft of PCAC meeting of 11/14/17

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm with the following members in attendance— Andrea Benson, Melissa Gahr, Bettina Kersten, William McCarthy; Additional individuals present: Paul Deschaine-Stratham Town Administrator & Sue Garneau-Cooperative Middle School (CMS) Teacher.

Motioned by BK, seconded by AB and unanimously passed, the minutes from 10/12/17 were approved.

An update on the Safe Routes to School project presented by BK & MG. Melissa met with CMS group and Bettina met with SMS group to create the SRTS grant application with Scott Bogle. The drafts for Stratham's SRTS start-up & travel plan applications were reviewed in detail (see document which included the draft plus committee edits). The final draft needs to be given to the Stratham Board of Selectmen (via Paul D) by 7pm Monday (11/20/17) for review with public discussion on 11/27/17. Plan to organize a CMS sub-committee meeting within the week to review this draft. The PCAC is looking to add letters of support from P. Wons (CMS Principal), T. Fosher (Stratham Memorial School-SMS Principal), Stratham's Board of Selectmen, Stratham planning board, Stratham conservation commission, Stratham recreation commission, Stratham PD, as well as both SMS & CMS PTO in support of this effort. Additionally, Sue Garneau will work with Scott Bogle to write a supplemental, non-infrastructure grant application to organize Earth Day education efforts related to SRTS. PCAC committee members will personally facilitate letters of support and the work on a supplemental, non-infrastructure grant application.

Brief discussion occurred regarding the request of information relevant to existing biking/walking resources from other Stratham boards. This does not necessarily provide information easily, for example, the Conservation Commission would need to look at each particular easement document to provide this information as each agreement is unique. It could not simply provide a list or access to a database with all such relevant information.

Remaining topics were tabled, meeting ended as of 8:15pm, there no longer being a quorum present.

Draft minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea Benson, Secretary.