

Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Meeting commenced at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Ezra Schwartzberg, Charlotte Lomino III, Bachana Tsiklauria, Steve Langdon, Colleen O'Neil, Ashley Milne, Rich Shapiro

Approval of June Minutes (no July meeting): Motion by E. Schwartzberg, Second by C. Lomino III

1. Rail Trail Connections

- Create Map- Cost and priorities for all rail trail connections.
 - Ezra will create a draft map for mark up/review.
- List of trail connections is on Google Drive: "Rail Trail Connector List".
- Brief Discussion on Lake Colby Connector.
 - Charlotte to reach out to Cassandra to find out who, if anyone, has access to Jamie's files or where project files are located.
- Ashley will draft a request to the village for developing a plan for:
 - 1) a traffic light at Will Rogers/ Ames'/Dunkin'
 - 2) Flashing lights at Baldwin.
 - We need comprehensive plan for that whole section of town if we want to propose to the Village Board to get it designed and propose the design to the DOT
- Charlotte will check to see when Lake Flower ave was redone.
- Charlotte will sketch out road and path layout ideas and circulate.
- We discussed how to prioritize projects on the Rail Connector list, no consensus was met.
- DOT regional boundaries make working with DOT on Crosswalks complicated.

2. Priorities and projects.

- Pisgah had a great year - we should discuss opportunities for improving snow making (Thanks Andy!)
- Update bike and pedestrian plan-
 - Charlotte is working on this. It is in the Google Drive.
 - Steve Langdon will reach out to Josh Wilson regarding the bike trail connection through AMA to Park Ave. Email sent.
 - PTAB members need to update spread sheets in the google drive
- Rail trail information dissemination.
 - Updates from Ezra.
 - Steve and Colleen need to meet to define a scope of work.
 - We need to meet with Brian Woods of ARTA to discuss further.
- Baldwin Park. Unclear if the grant application went in. Labella was hired to do design and write the grant.
- Playground Equipment
 - Money is being spent at Garwood Park... similar equipment as at Petrova. ~\$35k of equipment for the park to be spent over three years.
- New signs at the entrance to the village are in and look really nice.
- Check on vandalism at William Morris Park? It is not clear if this an issue or not?
- Beach Pavilion

- Ashley is going to catch up on this.
 - When the next iteration of the LWRP comes out for comment, PTAB members should review and comment.
 - We want the Lake Colby Beach Pavilion to be in the LWRP Plan.
 - When the pavilion is in the LWRP update then we can make moves to design and find funding.
 - Charlotte will touch base with Cassandra about how PTAB will be able to stay in the loop.
 - Riverside park Bandshell- Jimmy is working on this. He is not here.
 - Community Boat Rack - Stacy is working on this. We should check to see if the new boat racks are community racks or Private racks.
 - Crosswalk on Lake Flower ave, discussed this above.
 - We need to figure out how to make a working group with DOT. Jamie found this challenging. Everyone needs to understand how to do this better.
 - Community Bike Ride Ashley will work on in March 2024
3. New Business
- Meet on September 20th at 6pm
 - Discussing rolls and organization going forward until Saranac Lake gets a Community Development Director
 - Charlotte to meet with Cassandra to ask about what kind of correspondence can we engage with as non-staff of the village?
 - Review/discuss first draft of spreadsheet for sidewalk/bicycle projects from the Bike & Pedestrian Master Plan
 - Saranac Lake Trail Stewards Update from Steve Langdon

Move to Adjourn: Motion by S. Langdon, Second by A. Milne.