

 CITY OF DOVER	COMMUNITY TRAIL COMMITTEE – MINUTES Meeting Type: Regular Meeting Meeting Location: McConnell Center, 61 Locust St., Room 305 Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 Meeting Time: 5:30 pm
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Members Present: Patrick Manning (Chair), Shayna Sylvia (Vice Chair), Bryant Hardwick, Jacqueline Finnerty, Alex Abbott, John Wyeth

Others Present: Cliff Blake, Dover Arts Commission, Jeff Bernstein

Staff Present: Outreach Coordinator, Erin Bassegio

B. Hardwick opened the meeting at 5:30 pm.

1. Introductions

2. Election of Chair

Motion to elect Patrick Manning as Chair and Shayna Sylvia as Vice Chair made by B. Hardwick. Seconded by J. Finnerty. Vote U/A.

3. Approval of December 6, 2022 Minutes

Motion to approve made by S. Sylvia. Seconded by B. Hardwick. Vote U/A.

4. Waste Management on the Trail

E. Bassegio provided an update on complaints received about waste on the Trail, particularly at the Watson Road Trailhead. E. Bassegio also discussed a donation towards Community Trail maintenance that was received by an anonymous resident that could be used for the purpose of installing waste receptacles at Trailheads that don't currently have one.

Members discussed the Watson Road and Whittier Street Trailheads as needing waste receptacles and recommended both Trailheads for a waste receptable installation.

5. Updates on Ongoing Projects

a. Voyage Solar System Exhibit

E. Bassegio gave an update that the installation for the exhibit would be taking place in Spring, 2023. B.

Hardwick discussed reaching out to the Dover School District to arrange an opening event after installation.

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b. Public Graffiti Wall

E. Bassegio discussed information on graffiti wall placement and materials based on conversations with the Community Trail Advisory Committee, Arts Commission, and Committee for Graffiti Management.

c. TAP Extension Phases IV-A and IV-B

E. Bassegio updated members that discussions with the Department of Transportation on the plans and funding are ongoing and initial assessments for the amended extension have occurred.

6. Visioning and Goals

Following a visioning session completed on December 6, 2022, where members discussed their ideas and goals for the Community Trail, E. Bassegio provided a summary of member responses.

S. Sylvia recommended the Committee separate the visioning results into long and short-term goals.

J. Wyeth highlighted expansion of the Trail as a priority long-term goal and recommended a connection between the Community Trail and the East Coast Greenway and communications with organizers of the Greenway.

B. Hardwick and S. Sylvia discussed advertising and outreach as another visioning element to set as a goal. P. Manning identified expansion and outreach as priority visioning items to be discussed at the next meeting.

7. Other Business

J. Finnerty brought up the need for increased Trail wayfinding, particularly between the 4th Street Trailhead and the Rotary Trailhead at the Transportation Center. C. Blake discussed a potential AARP grant opportunity that the Arts Commission is exploring for increased wayfinding around the City to guide towards Trailheads.

B. Hardwick motioned to support the Arts Commission submission of a grant application related to Community Trail wayfinding. Seconded by J. Finnerty. Vote U/A.



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J. Bernstein asked about snow removal on the paved sections of the Trail and E. Bassegio provided information on where Community Services is currently able to remove snow.

B. Hardwick stated that he would be reaching out to the Dover School District for student volunteers for Trail events.

8. Next meeting- April 4, 2023

9. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:34pm on a motion to approve made by B. Hardwick. Seconded by A. Abbott.

Vote U/A.