

CITY OF DOVER

COMMUNITY TRAIL COMMITTEE – MINUTES

Meeting Type: **Regular Meeting**
Meeting Location: **1st Floor Conference Room, City Hall 288 Central Ave Dover NH**
Meeting Date: **Tuesday, April 4, 2023**
Meeting Time: **5:30 pm**

Members Present: Patrick Manning (Chair), Shayna Sylvia (Vice Chair), Bryant Hardwick, Jacqueline Finnerty, John Wyeth, Mark Herrick

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

Staff Present: Outreach Coordinator, Erin Bassegio

P. Manning opened the meeting at 5:30 pm.

1. Introductions

2. Approval of February 7, 2023 Minutes

Motion to approve made by B. Hardwick. Seconded by J. Finnerty. Vote U/A.

3. Updates on Ongoing Projects

a. Voyage Solar System Exhibit

E. Bassegio provided an update that the first stanchion of the exhibit was successfully installed as a test. Full installation is planned for the week of April 10 or April 17, depending on the weather.

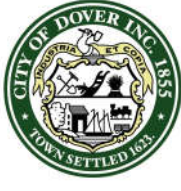
B. Hardwick explained that he reached out to the Dover School District to plan outreach for a grand opening event for the exhibit.

Committee members discussed ideas such as chalk drawings and face painting for an exhibit grand opening and decided on the first week of May.

b. Public Graffiti Wall

E. Bassegio explained that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been drafted and will go to City Council for approval. The MOU will then be signed by the property owner and City Manager prior to planning the installation of the wall.

P. Manning explained that the Ad-Hoc Committee for Graffiti Management has also recommended three additional public graffiti walls at the new skate park, at the Park St. Park, and Garrison Hill Tower and that that Arts Commission has approved \$1,000 through a City Arts Grant towards these efforts.

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C. Blake explained that the CTAC could also apply for grant funds for the installation costs of the graffiti wall being proposed for the Community Trail.

J. Bernstein asked about whether there would be signage for the graffiti wall and committee members discussed that possible signage would include general rules of operation.

Committee Members discussed future maintenance costs that could be allocated from the CTAC budget.

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

E. Bassegio shared a draft map of the extension with Committee Members that was provided by engineering firm, Fuss & O'Neill.

Committee Members reviewed the draft map and discussed a potential group walk of the area in May, 2023.

d. Outreach and Trail Events

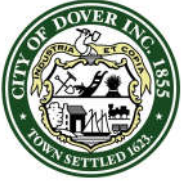
Committee Members discussed potential trail events such as the Solar System exhibit grand opening, Knotweed clean-up day and general clean-up day; members proposed to join Don't Trash Dover at Beckwith Park on May 27, for their monthly clean-up day.

Existing outreach materials were discussed such as the Community Trail brochure that is available at City Hall, the Chamber of Commerce, and online.

4. Visioning and Goals

J. Wyeth discussed that he had conversations with the East Coast Greenway representatives and state representatives and explained potential routes that he had reviewed that includes Dover and the Community Trail.

Members reviewed the Greenway options and B. Hardwick explained that staff, Committee Members, and representatives from the NH Department of Transportation have previously walked the former rail bed down Spur Road, towards Newington, as part of planning for a potential future extension.



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5. Other Business

J. Finnerty requested an update on the AARP Community Challenge grant opportunity and E. Bassegio informed the Committee that the application was submitted and awards would be announced in mid-May, 2023.

6. Next meeting- June 6, 2023

Members decided to move to monthly meetings until further notice.

7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm on a motion to approve made by B. Hardwick. Seconded by J. Wyeth.
Vote U/A.