

 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, February 6, 2024 Meeting Time: 5:30 pm
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Members Present: Patrick Manning (Chair), Shayna Sylvia (Vice-Chair), Jacqueline Manning, Bryant Hardwick, Mark Herrick, Laurie Smith
Others Present: Cliff Blake, Jeff Bernstein
Staff Present: Outreach Coordinator Erin Bassegio

P. Manning opened the meeting at 5:31 pm.

1. **Introductions**
2. **Approval of December 5, 2023 Minutes**

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

3. **Updates on Ongoing Projects**
 - a. **Public Art on the Community Trail**

S. Sylvia and J. Bernstein each shared designs that they had created for wayfinding that could be printed as a stencil to be used on the sidewalk along the section of the trail between the Transportation Center and the Fourth Street Trailhead.

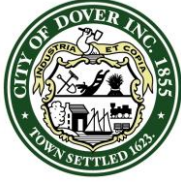
Committee members reviewed placement and design ideas for the wayfinding on this section including adding a sign at the Rotary and Fourth Street Trailheads to identify the trail markers and consistent color, sizing, and placement.

C. Blake shared that the estimate from the Community Services Department for a cairn and rock stacking area on the trail would be estimated around \$70-100 for sand and rocks and an additional \$50 for landscape fabric. Location for the rock stacking area was discussed as being near the Silver Street Tunnel.

- b. **Scenic Drive Staggered Fence**

Committee members continued discussion on funding options for the project with possible options including funds from the City, Committee, fundraisers, or grants.

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

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E. Bassegio reviewed an updated trail alignment that was provided by the City’s consultant, Fuss & O’Neill, and discussed additional Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding that was received to finish the engineering and design for Phase IV.

d. Adopt-A-Trail

Members reviewed the open sections of the trail that need an adopter, including the Whittier Falls Way and Fisher Street sections.

E. Bassegio shared that Community Services confirmed that the sidewalk plow on Whittier Street would be mindful of the trail entrance, however, there is also a private snow contractor on the neighboring street that may be pushing snow towards the entrance.

e. Outreach and Trail Events

P. Manning shared outreach event ideas such as a volunteer clearing of overgrown brush on Whittier Falls Way and an invasive species walk on the trail.

4. Visioning and Goals

P. Manning reviewed the goals established by committee members in 2022.

5. Other Business

M. Herrick discussed the need for signage on the trail to remind trail users to leash their dog and remove pet waste, particularly towards the Watson Road section of the trail. Committee members discussed locations for the dog reminder signage and recommended the trailheads at Whittier St./Whittier Falls Way and Watson Rd.

P. Manning identified the landing on the Cochecho River near the pedestrian bridge on the trail as a needed area of improvement and requested that it be added as an agenda item for further discussion.

6. Next meeting- Tuesday, March 5, 2024

7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm on a motion made by B. Hardwick. Seconded by S. Sylvia. Vote U/A.

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