

Squannacook Greenways, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2015

Attending:

Peter Carson, Mark Cram, Peter Cunningham, Bruce Easom, Ray Jackson, Don Klein, Steve Meehan, Bill Rideout, Joan Wotkowicz

Abutter Outreach

Steve plans to begin mailing letters to abutters in the coming weeks. Joan will reprint the letters without a date, to facilitate staggered mailings. She will also change the Groton letters to Pete Carson's contact information.

Financial Report / Capital Campaign

Bill reported two more successful meetings with contributors. We have \$32,570 in the bank (\$37,870 with pledges included).

Publicity/Outreach

Bill will post a Facebook item about a study by People for Bikes on youth bicycling safety.

Conservation/Natural Heritage

Bruce continues to prepare a presentation for Natural Heritage and expects to be ready soon to initiate informal permitting discussions.

Insurance

We paid \$750 for directors insurance for this year. Bill continues to search for ways to cut this cost.

Ashburnham Trail

Steve noted that the Ashburnham Trail announced their trail opening while their trail is still very much unimproved, with the intention of improving it as they go along. This may be an option for us to consider if necessary.

Upcoming/Past Events

2015 Massachusetts Trails Conference - November 13-14, 2015

Review of Meeting Minutes

Minutes from August 5, 2015 were approved unanimously.

Harbor Church Parking Lot

Mark obtained a quote for \$950 for an engineering study of the trail routing through the Townsend Historical Society's parking lot at the Harbor Church. This price would not include the cost of presenting the study results to the Society.

Mark will contact the Historical Society to clarify their request and find out if we can make the presentation ourselves.

Next Meeting

Squannacook Greenways will hold our next rail trail meeting on **Wednesday, October 14 at 7:00 P.M.** at the NRWA.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Wotkowicz, Clerk

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