

Squannacook Greenways, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2014

Attending:

Peter Carson, Mark Cram, Peter Cunningham, Al Futterman, Don Klein, Steve Meehan, Bill Rideout

Legal and Financial

A motion was made to approve the IRS form 990 and state form PC as sent out by Bill Rideout, and approve spending \$35 dollars to cover the state submittal fee. The motion passed unanimously.

Townsend Earth Day Event

Mark Cram reported that turn out at Townsend's Earth Day was normal, in spite of its being delayed a week. They collected 32 emails and \$55 in t-shirt sales. Bill Rideout gave the extra brochures to Peter Cunningham to use at Groton Greenway River Festival, on Saturday, June 8, 2014.

Transit Realty Update

Peter Cunningham reported on his recent email from Bob LaVita of Transit Reality. Transit Reality is scheduled to discuss the draft they were circulating this week. If it is okayed, Bob said he would send it on to both us and Mark Boyle of Transit Reality for review. We also discussed the board's desire to do a site walk with Transit Reality before signing the lease.

Recruitment for Board of Directors

Candidates for a open seat on the board were discussed. A candidate, David Pitkin, was suggested from Groton who had formerly been on the Conservation Commission and had been chair of the Greenway committee. The board agreed he was a good candidate to ask, and Peter Cunningham agreed to approach him.

Bill Rideout discussed his correspondence with Cedwyn Morgan, who is a licensed site professional and whose wife Martha Morgan works at the NRWA. Cedwyn has volunteered to do a site walk of the added parts of the rail bed not covered by the FST report. We discussed the desire for him to also participate in any future site walks with Transit Reality. Finally, we discussed the possibility of adding him also to the board. Al Futterman offered to ask him if he might be interested.

Tennessee Gas Pipeline

Bill Rideout discussed the Tennessee Gas Pipeline project. One of its proposed routes would have it cross the rail trail near Sterilite. We wanted to make sure that any deals Transit Reality signs with any utility include the provision that any utility work done in the corridor that disturbs the rail trail must restore it fully.

Meeting Minutes

The April 9, 2014 minutes were unanimously approved as amended by Steve Meehan in an email to Joan Wotkowicz.

Next Meeting

Squannacook Greenways will hold our next rail trail meeting on **Wednesday, June 25, 2014** at the NRWA.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Rideout and Joan Wotkowicz
Squannacook Greenways, Inc.