

Squannacook Greenways, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 7 at 7:00 pm Nashua River Watershed Association

Attending:

Peter Carson, Mark Cram, Peter Cunningham, Bruce Eason, Al Futterman, Alfred Gadway, Ray Jackson, Christopher Leitao, Steve Meehan, Bill Rideout, Joan Wotkowicz

Meeting minutes

A motion to accept the minutes of the 12/14/2011 meeting was seconded and passed unanimously.

A motion to accept the minutes of the 01/26/2012 meeting with one correction was seconded and passed unanimously.

Financial report

Bill Rideout (Treasurer) reported that we reached our goal of raising \$10,000 before sending our letter of response to DCR Commissioner Lambert.

Bill also reported that we are now officially a 501(c)(3). He itemized some anticipated expenses:

- Municipal (Townsend) filing – no cost
- Federal form 990 filing – no cost
- Form 990 filing with MA Attorney General - \$100 for first time plus \$35 per year
- MA Secretary of State filing fee - \$18.50

A motion to authorize Bill Rideout to pay up to \$140 for Attorney General filing fee was seconded and approved unanimously.

A motion to reimburse Bill Rideout \$18.50 for MA Secretary of State filing fee was seconded and passed unanimously.

The President and Vice President left at 7:35. Steve Meehan took over running the meeting.

Preparation for follow-up meeting with DCR

Peter Cunningham reported that he had contacted Commissioner Lambert's Administrative Assistant to try to set up a meeting.

Updates from supporting organizations

Montachusett Regional Planning Commission - Al Futterman reported on the March 6, 2012 meeting to discuss a regional trail coalition.

Regional GreenRoutes - Steve Meehan attended the kickoff meeting on March 1, 2012 and circulated notes via e-mail.

Coalition for Recreational Trails - Squannacook Greenways, Inc. is now a member of this organization to support funding for the Recreational Trails Program in the National Highway Bill.

Wachusett Greenways - Bill Rideout reported a conversation with Colleen Abrams about their policy on the use of chainsaws by volunteers.

Publicity subcommittee

- Groton Greenway River Festival - June 24, 2012

- Earth Day April 28, 2012 – Bill Rideout and Joan Wotkowicz will put together a brochure for the event in Townsend
- FaceBook - Pete Carson offered to start a page
- Newsletter – We should start soon so it will be ready when we have a signed lease.
- Logo – Joan Wotkowicz will take a pass at adding “Built and maintained by Squannacook Greenways, Inc.”

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting

Squannacook Greenways will hold our next rail trail meeting on Thursday, April 5 at 7 pm at the Nashua River Watershed Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Wotkowicz

Clerk

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