

Groton Greenway Committee  
Open Session minutes of Nov. 14, 2013  
Town Hall

Chairman David Pitkin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the lunch room at Town Hall. Members Carol Coutrier, Marion Stoddart and Adam Burnett were present.

Upon a motion by Marion Stoddart, seconded by Carol Coutrier, it was

VOTED: to accept the minutes of the Oct. 17, 2013 Groton Greenway meeting.

The vote was unanimous.

David Pitkin and Marion Stoddart reported on a meeting of the Accessibility Committee that they attended on Nov. 4:

- The blocks at the entrance to the bridge to prevent snowmobiles from using the bridge need to be moved to allow 48" for wheelchair accessibility.
- The town will create a parking space for handicapped.
- The large stones at the entrance to the bridge will be covered with soil to aid in ease of accessibility to the bridge.

The Accessibility Committee wrote letters to the Board of Selectmen and Highway Dept. to address these issues.

A discussion ensued to address the guidelines to use in selection of a new Greenway Committee member:

1. Support goals for the Greenway, 2014.
2. Try to attend all Greenway meetings.
3. Support/participate in the River Festival.
4. Participate/support the Water Chestnut pull.
5. Fulfill all the state requirements (ethics course, swearing in)
- 6.

Each Greenway Committee member will submit ideas for 2 candidates by next meeting.

A discussion of River Festival, June 8, 2014 ensued:

- Carol will coordinate food and will contact Groton Firefighters Association; David will make initial contact with Betsy Reeves.
- Marion will coordinate getting together the various organizations.
- Additional areas include:
  - Fundraising
  - Marketing
  - Cardboard Canoe Race (coordination and running)
  - Music
  - Sound

Site Preparation  
Permitting

An 8' sign for the Greenway table was suggested.

Agenda items for the next meeting may include:

- David is preparing a spreadsheet of properties along the Nashua River and ownership of each.
- Clean-up of the Nashua River.
- Community oriented projects to get more people involved in the river.

Next Greenway meeting will be held on Dec.18, 2013 at Town Hall.

Upon a motion by Marion Stoddart, seconded by Adam Burnett, it was

VOTED: to adjourn

The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Coutrier, Secretary

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