

ROBERT FROST / OLD STAGE COACH SCENIC BYWAY

Safety Complex, Auburn, NH

February 25, 2013, 7:00 PM

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Welcome/Introductions

Scott Bogle of Rockingham Planning Commission opened the meeting, thanked everyone for coming, and reviewed the agenda. In keeping with recent practice, Stoney Worster was asked to chair the meeting on behalf of Auburn, the host town. Attendees introduced themselves:

Dan Kimball (Atkinson)
John Wolters (Atkinson)
Elizabeth Robidoux (Auburn)
Stoney Worster (Auburn)
Jean Methot (Chester)

George Sioras (Derry)
Rob Morris (Hampstead)
Scott Bogle (RPC)
Adam Hlasny (SNHPC)

2. Meeting Notes from January 21, 2013

Scott Bogle asked for approval of the meeting notes from January 21. George Sioras abstained from voting, as he was absent from the previous meeting. **Jean Methot made a motion to approve the notes from January 21. The motion was seconded by Elizabeth Robidoux and carried unanimously.**

3. Election of Officers

George Sioras said that all Derry appointments to the byway have been made official, but due to the school vacation and other scheduling conflicts, no official representatives could be present. The group decided to postpone the election of officers to the next meeting. George mentioned that David Gomez of Derry would be interested in one of the officer positions. Jean Methot indicated Gary van Geyte of Chester had also expressed a willingness to serve. Elizabeth added she would be willing to serve in an officer role, and that there had been a request from a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) to sit on the council as a non-voting member. Those present thought that would be not only acceptable but also beneficial to have outside input.

4. Progress on Corridor Management Plan (CMP)

Scott handed out a listing of the resources that have been input into Survey Monkey thus far. There was talk of condensing the format for insertion into the CMP. There is also the possibility of having a 1/3 to 1/2 page entry for each resource as part of a detailed appendix, not unlike the CMP of the Gen. John Stark Scenic Byway. John Wolters said that Atkinson has not input its resources into Survey Monkey yet due to technological issues, but would do so.

Adam Hlasny unfolded a set of maps that was produced by the GIS staff at SNHPC. The four maps in the set were:

- Current Land Use
- Current Zoning
- Road Attributes
- Accident Data

The group spent a considerable amount of time poring over the maps, asking questions, and making comments. There was a question about the definition of accidents that were included in the map, and the years from which the data were mapped. The group complimented the SNHPC GIS staff, and offered suggestions for a few minor changes. Elizabeth suggested having one large map in the CMP, with separate 8.5 x 11 maps detailing each town. This combination of a locator map and individual town maps would allow greater detail to be presented than if maps showing the full corridor were shrunk to 11x17 size. Scott asked Adam to check the size of the maps in the Gen. John Stark Scenic Byway CMP.

5. Public Input Session (March/April)

Scott distributed a handout with ideas of topics to be addressed at the upcoming public input meeting. He added that the level of detail on byway background/overview could be adapted to fit the prior knowledge of attendees. Desired meeting outcomes were discussed, as well as ways to ensure proper publicity. John noted that a press release in small town newspapers could be helpful in soliciting public involvement.

It was agreed that officers should be elected prior to the public input session, and a March 25, 2013 date was proposed for the next meeting, at which the election could occur. George suggested holding the public meeting on a Saturday morning to avoid conflict with other town meetings. There was some debate as to whether to have the meeting in early April or push it to May because of inclement weather concerns. After some discussion, the morning of **Saturday, April 6, 2013, from 9-11am**, was decided upon as the meeting time. The meeting will be held at the Chester Town Hall due to its central location and closed circuit television capabilities. Food (i.e. donuts, muffins, etc.) will be brought by either the planning commission staff or town representatives to be determined.

6. Next Steps/Next Meeting

Jean made a motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by George and the meeting stood adjourned at approximately 8:08 pm.

The next meeting was scheduled for **Monday, March 25, 2013, at 7:00pm** at the Derry Municipal Center. George and Elizabeth volunteered to send out directions prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Adam Hlasny, SNHPC