Camden Rockport Bicycle and Pedestrian Pathways Committee
Minutes
May 2 2018 – Camden Town Office
7:00 pm

Present (the cool kids):
Geoff Scott –Camden
Leni Gronros (minutes) – Rockport
Mac Thomas –Camden
Helen Shaw – Rockport
Jane Self - Camden
Richard Stetson – Camden
Robert Davis –Camden
Jenna Lookner – Camden Select Board Liaison

Absent (slackers):
Owen Casas – Rockport Liason
Andrew Stancioff – Rockport
Lynda Clancy –Rockport
John Titus – Rockport
Anita Brosius-Scott – Camden

Guest: Etienne Perret -Camden

Leni was not late. There was much rejoicing.

April Minutes:
The minutes were accepted as written with the revision that Jane was not actually in attendance.

New Committee Members:
Camden Committee members Mac, Jane, and Robert are all signing on again for another 3 year term. Currently no open spots for Camden. *(They seem to enjoy the challenge).*

Route 1 by Maritime Farms:
No new report.

Riverwalk:
Matt Orne and Audra. Matt is open to working with us on any number of alternatives for an alignment across his property for the Knowlton Street section of the Riverwalk. On 5/3/18 Geoff is meeting with Will Gartley and Jeff Senders to examine alternatives for the access point on Knowlton, in particular getting past/under/over the existing pedestrian bridge. The committee recommends using the existing boardwalk infrastructure and add graded earth to ramp up/down over the bridge.

For construction of the Knowlton section, it appears we have to go before the planning board. Robert will help Geoff answer the required questions and prepare.

The presentation to the Lions Club went well. Very positive outcome and we expect either an easement or trail license to be granted. Geoff is sending them an example of a trail easement, they already have a trail license sample.

For next phases/sections of the Riverwalk, we will be moving out of business districts into village zoning, Different ordinances apply. Jeremy Martin is applying for an exemption for the Riverwalk from the DEP regarding setback from the river. Jenna will stay in contact with Jeremy on this.

Geoff will contact Peter Berke about an easement for a future section of the Riverwalk. Etienne will work with Geoff on this and the neighbors around Peter.

Route 1 North
Plans from MDOT will be online in a few days. There will an Open House scheduled in the near future.

Route 90
No committee update.

Camden Work Plan
Camden is working to coordinate all committees to try and reduce redundancy. Sometimes there have been multiple committees working on the same project.

Elm Street Sidewalk
Patrick Adams said a strategy for funding would be to include these improvements in the Downtown Master Pedestrian plan they are currently committed to funding. MDOT would consider increasing the funding if requested for the Elm St work. They need to know how much. Andrew is following up with Andrew Hedrich at Gartley and Dorsky and the Town to get a preliminary budget.

Tannery Site
The town received a Clean Up Grant to finish the clean up of the site. A clay covering could cause problems and may require a new culvert for sections of the existing riverwalk. There are invites expected to a planning meeting.

Volunteer List
People have been asking about volunteer opportunities with Pathways. A volunteer contact list will be constructed and emails sent out for volunteer opportunities. Leni will work on this.

Rockport Sidewalks
The sidewalk list needs to be updated. There is $50k in the Rockport Budget for sidewalk maintenance.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm