

Camden-Rockport Pathways Committee

Jan. 4, 2023, Minutes

Present: Audra Caler, Lynda Clancy, Kristin Jones, Margo Murphy, Andrew Stancioff, Richard Stetson, Tom Zumwalt, Anita Scott

Absent: Amber Kennedy, Geoff Scott, Heidi Baker

December minutes approved.

Elm St. Crossing: Alison, Tom, Andrew will work on this.

The DOT wants some sort commitment from the town that we will do something to improve the intersection.

There is still engineering to be done, but the safety analysis has been done, and the landing area on that particular section of Elm Street.

Is the sidewalk contingent on crossings? How do the town move forward if the consensus that the stop sign stays?

The DOT won't fund as is. The sidewalk would be over \$1 million to construct.

Can smart stop lights be the fix?

The Pathways Committee was not focused on weighing in on a solution but to highlight this is an issue that needs to be addressed.

Pathways Committee members who represent Camden agreed to attend the Feb. 21 Camden Select Board meeting to urge the Select Board to continue addressing the Elm Street sidewalk issue, from a public safety perspective, and by default, the Union St./Elm St. intersection.

The DOT is very motivated to do the sidewalk if the intersection is dealt with.

It will be helpful for the Select Board to hear from the Pathways Committee that the intersection improvements is a committee priority.

Tom, Andrew, Richard, Will, with Geoff and Anita remotely, will prepare for the Feb. 21 SB meeting, and bring an update back to the Pathways Committee Feb. 1, for its regularly scheduled meeting.

Route 1 North

Funding was an earmark from Collins office and it came in way over budget. No word at this point. Audra will check.

Route 90 Rockport

Rockport received the VPI for the village which included language for sidewalk out Route 90. Language is more understated than that in the village. Could fall to other projects. Do we write another memo? Lynda to contact Orion.

The Rockport Conservation Commission invited pathways to a meeting for a collaboration. Route 90, Review Rockport pathways plan. Wednesday 11th at 5:15 p.m. at the library

Master Plan reviews

What process should pathways use to update the pathways master plan? Look at current plan.

What has been done and what additionally needs to be done?

Should the trail from middle school to high school be re-assessed?. Any interest in picking up that discussion? Discussion supports looking into this again.