

Fairfield Grant Committee Minutes
Monday, July 11, 2011
Draft

Convened 6:10

Barry Fauteux, Amanda Forbes, Michael Malone, Denise Smith, Kristen Hughes

Visitor: Jim Donovan

I. Existing Conditions Preparation Meeting

Jim Donovan (Broadreach Planning and Design) began by seeking comments on the Purpose and Needs of the Sidewalk Scoping Study. Committee asked to include senior housing residents, childcare centers in Fairfield Center, and the aging population and speedy travel on Rt 36, as well as, planning for future housing/green space.

Discussion continued reviewing the Draft Summary - Existing Conditions. Jim presented Utilities information, Cultural and Constructed Resources and Natural Resources on a series of maps using aerial and GIS data.

Discussion also involved travel patterns, shoulder and lane widths, property identification, crash data, adding public signage, and inclusion of depot property in EF in project area. Jim needs additional information about water district lines identified (Amanda), stormwater outfall in EF (Amanda), and NWRPC traffic count/study.

Committee discussed the need for Planning and Zoning presence on the committee due language in Town Plan

II. Town Grant Writer Meeting & Ongoing Projects

a. Sewer Update

Surveys have been sent to all three project areas. Responses are coming in slowly, however, A&E would like to see 50%. Introductory meeting with Fairfield Pond Association was positive with surveys returned at the meeting (requested a post card reminder sent) Extra surveys are available at the library.

b. Fire Station Grant Update

Fairfield Fire Station is applying for bunker gear and a brush truck. The grant, however, has not been released - expectation is mid July. Quick turnaround for deadline.

c. School Gym Capital Campaign

Recreation Committee met and discussed modifications to the gym to improve and expand. The committee is looking for a local manager to help with estimating potential costs.

d. Lamoille Valley Rail Trail

N/A

e. Extended Learning Grant – Department of Education

Nance Shaw at the FCC is administering the grant. This grant supports both summer and afterschool programs at both the Community Center and Library for the upcoming year.

f. NOFA Grant – Farmer’s Market

Postcards and flyers designed by Messenger Print and Design - new logo!

g. United Way Grant

The FCC has received \$2500 to support food shelf and food education programs.

h. Recreation Buildings Grant

John Baxter and the Rec Committee has begun work at the baseball fields. Someone from East Fairfield should go to the Selectboard Meeting to discuss removal of the slide on the EF green before the Jig. Denise will verify what the grant paid for - does it include a ‘welcome’ sign?

i. Recreation Trails Grant

Amanda has rec’d grant award announcement. Denise will project manage and begin making contacts - look to begin work next spring. We supported the grant with approx \$11K of in kind labor.

j. Municipal Planning Grant

Denise will work with NWRPC to help write a successful application regarding infrastructure planning.

k. Ecosystem Restoration Grants

Application for Pumpkin Village and Juairé Roads (those roads were not covered by Clean and Clear)

l. Grant Tracking Spreadsheet

Denise modified the grant tracking spreadsheet to change Selectboard Match column to Authorizing Board Match