

# Squannacook Greenways, Inc.

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2014

Attending:

Peter Carson, Mark Cram,  
Peter Cunningham, Al Futterman,  
Don Klein, Steve Meehan, Bill Rideout,  
Joan

### **Interim Report to Community Foundation of North Central MA**

Joan Wotkowicz prepared our required report on grant activity, Bill and Steve edited. The report is due Friday, January 10. Joan will send tomorrow.

### **DCR Update**

MassDOT communicated their conclusion that the towns should negotiate the lease rather than DOT. Peter Cunningham and Bill Rideout are scheduled to meet with DOT and DCR on January 23rd with representation from Senator Flanagan, Senator Donohue, and Representative Harrington.

If DOT will not be an option, we can look into filing special legislation to allow DCR to take the lease. Estimated time to pass is three months or longer, since state budgets are currently a priority.

### **Environmental Insurance Legislation**

No new status info.

### **Fundraising Plans/Donation Request Handout**

We reviewed the draft that Bill Rideout distributed and discussed the merits of engaging professional fundraising and graphic advice.

**EVERYONE PLEASE REVIEW THE  
DRAFT HANDOUT AND PROVIDE  
COMMENTS.**

### **Resignations from Board of Directors**

Rolland Willis has left our group. We thank him for his participation and we need to replace the fund raising knowledge he brought. Steve Meehan will ask Rollin if he will provide us some final input.

Bob Hargraves is also resigning from our Board.

### **Membership Plans**

We continued discussion about whether to have membership and decided a lot of people enjoy being members. We can start a membership drive with our mailing list and ask \$10-15, possibly have different levels. Our newsletter will include the member list.

The membership drive should follow the quiet phase of donation requests.

### **Permitting Plans**

No new status info.

### **Financial Report**

Bill distributed report for Nov 21 to Dec 31, 2013.

### **Review of Nov 21 Meeting Minutes**

Motion to accept the minutes passed unanimously

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### **Next Meeting**

Squannacook Greenways will hold our next rail trail meeting on **Wednesday, February 12 at 7:00 P.M.** at the **NRWA.**

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Respectfully submitted,

Joan Wotkowicz

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