

South Windsor Walk & Wheel Ways Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 2, 2022

SW Parks & Recreation Department

Attendees: Ginny Hole, Bob Dickinson, Kim Nowell, Skip Bourke, Jeff Harner, Steve Wagner, Christine Kiely, Ken Sek, Roy Normen and Molly Keays. New Parks & Recreation employee Shawna Damon attended with her husband Felipe Damon (and Harold)

Absent: George Caye, and John Caldwell

Call Meeting to order: 7:02 pm

Public Participation: None

October Minutes - Postponed discussion

New Business:

- **SW High School:** Postponed discussion

Old Business:

- **Crosstown Trail:** Kevin Grindle from Barton & Loguidice reviewed the overall trail design plan – highlights below:
 - A preliminary plan was sent to Eversource in 8/21.
 - Eversource responded in 4/22, the overall plan design commenced, Brian Elisia is our contact person at Eversource.
 - It is recommended that the infrastructure of the trail be in 3 phases. Eversource is recommending a 10ft to 12ft wide trail throughout the trail corridor.
 - The 1st section is 2-miles connecting Wapping Park, Priest Farm and Nevers Park.
 - This section will require several water crossings. CT DOT will need to determine where the trail traffic will cross Sullivan Avenue.
 - The 2nd section is the southern section connecting Wapping Park with Clark Street.
 - The 3rd section is Nevers Park to Niederwerfer Rd.
 - Easement owners and abutters must be notified. Easement owners must agree to the trail location. Abutters need to be notified, acceptance not critical, but definitely desirable.
 - Kim Bradley is our DEEP contact person. Kim replaced Laurie Giannotti.
 - A permit meeting is scheduled for next week. A final cost estimate for the 1st “shovel ready” section has not yet been determined.
 - Once the permits are finalized and the easements have been received the next step is public engagement through PARC commission. This crosstown trail would need approval by Planning and Zoning.
 - Other source of funds is CT Department of Transportation [DOT] grants. DOT is looking for community connectivity from residential to commercial properties.
 - Grants generally need matching funds from towns.

- **By-Laws** - Rules for the Transaction of Business - December meeting we will be voting to approve these by-laws. Any suggested changes need to be emailed to Christine by Thursday, November 17th.
- **Crosstown Trail Grant Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 16th, 7:00pm, at Parks & Recreation 91 Ayers Rd.
- **15th Anniversary:** Postponed discussion
- **4th Grade Bike Safety Program Wrap-Up:** Postponed discussion.
- **SWW&WW Calendar Events:** Postponed discussion

Other Business:

Upcoming Events:

- **Saturday, November 5th** – Moonlight Hike Nevers Park.
 - Kim, Skip, Ginny and Ken will be leading the 1.5 Moonlight Hike through Nevers Park. Meet at 6:45pm at Rotary Pavilion, 55 Chief Ryan Way. The fire pit will be lit from 6:30 to 7:00, and the hike will begin at 7:00pm.

Miscellaneous: None

Announcements: None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:56 pm

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, December 7th, 2022; at 7:00 pm