

Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Advisory Sub Committee

Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2022

Meeting Held via Zoom

Call to Order

- The February 1, 2022 meeting of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Sub Committee was called to order at 7:01PM

Attendees

- Sub Committee Members: Nat Welch, Tracy Hansen, Adrienne Boardman
- Town Representatives: Marcia Rasmussen, Director of Planning and Land Management
- 2 additional participants from the public
- Recorder: Adrienne Boardman

Approval of Meeting Minutes

- A motion was made to approve the January 26, 2022 meeting minutes and seconded
 - The January 26, 2022 minutes were approved unanimously by roll call vote

Review Survey Distribution

- 244 responses to the survey received as of February 1
 - Printed deadline of Feb 8
 - Electronic deadline Feb 18
- Discussion around the expiration of the QR code; Tracy to attempt to get an extension or regenerate one have fliers reprinted
- Adrienne Boardman gave an update on online distribution; Nat Welch confirmed he has the support from Barbara Pike to promote through Friends of Bruce Freeman channels
- Marcia Rasmussen to help disseminate information to other Town Committee heads
- Election Day distribution of fliers at polling locations - Marcia: Keyes Road; Nat Welch: Hunt Gym, Tracy Hansen: Harvey Wheeler
- Nat Welch to arrange use of sandwich board in Junction Park

Proposal of Meeting Schedule

- Nat Welch outlined his proposed schedule of meetings including: sub committee meetings, full BFRTAC meetings, and Junction Park Forums
- Discussion around how to approach short term vs long term recommendations
- Discussion on where the scope of the sub committee intersects with the broader BFRTAC and the need to meld the two together now that the groundwork has been established

Review of Agenda for Forum #1

- Nat Welch shared a proposed agenda with recommended time allocations
- Discussion around parameters for the Forum with regards to OML; confirmation from Marcia that while a BFRTAC quorum is encouraged it is not required (an official meeting will not be called to order)

Comments from Public

- Dorrie Kehoe (51 MacArthur Road): Commented that two forums would be sufficient and that planning should be done to address content from the first forum at the second forum for anyone who didn't join; reiterated the suggestion that the Committee should engage with Steve Dookran (Town Engineer) and Ron Holsinger (Town Safety Officer)
- Nancy Crowley (5 Concord Greene): Complimented the survey for content and ease of use

Planning to continue at the next Sub Committee Meeting on February 7 at 7PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29PM