

CITY OF BARRE MEETING MINUTES

Committee/board: Paths, Routes & Trails Committee

Date of meeting: September 11, 2019

Location of meeting: City Hall

Board/committee members in attendance: Steve Mackenzie, Stephanie Quaranta, Giuliano Ceechinelli, Mark Martin, Bill Ahearn, Karen Nelson, Scott Bascom, Dan Souza

Board/committee members absent: Charlie Dindo, Timothy Terway

Others in attendance: Mayor Herring, John Benson, Leah Martin

Topic(s) Discussed:

Vice Chairperson Dan Souza started the meeting.

John Benson and Leah Martin from Dubois and King, provided the committee with a presentation on the Metro Way segment. They discussed the distance away from the rail as well as the need for retaining walls in a few locations, plans to accommodate proper drainage, etc. There will be a 4 foot fence, similar to what is seen beyond the depot. The discussion continued as the group spoke on the connection of the path near the Nativi Playground and the passage through land owned by a business. City Manager Mackenzie and City Engineer Bill Ahearn met with the land owner to discuss possibilities. These discussions appeared promising and will continue. D&K will provide a cross section and more information for the landowner. The committee was supportive of the path proceeding in this direction if everything can be worked out.

There was a discussion on other segments such as paint markings up Prospect Street and the entrance to the Fairview segment of the path. The Granite Street segment was discussed as was Ayers Street and the crosswalk near Cumberland Farms in the south end of the City.

City Engineer Ahearn spoke on the "Pop Ups" that have been up at a few places in the City. He felt that the parking on Washington Street was well received and successful as was the island on the end of Seminary near Yipes. The one near Mill Street that was intended to shorten the crossing path had been destroyed many times and not well received or not ready for a change.

The group will walk the Metro Way path at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned: 6:10 p.m.

Next meeting date/time/location (if known): Next meeting Wednesday October 9, 2019.
City Council Chambers

Person filing minutes: Stephanie Quaranta (signature)