



**Amherst Bicycle & Pedestrian
Advisory Committee**

Meeting Minutes
December 18^h, 2019

Discussion about the establishment of the warrant article #32

Warrant article's next juncture is the deliberative session (2/5) and the vote (3/10).

We need to start our communications effort now

Mitchell: What is the status of having Milford do their part? Buchanan: the Milford Planning Board will be hosting us on 1/21 7pm. Buchanan will give a presentation, any member of the committee is invited to attend.

Off-Road Implementation Discussion by John Harvey

We are starting a joint effort between the ACC and the Bike Ped Committee which can be the first trail planned by our organization to execute the multimodal master plan

The Purtell Easement offers a simple project for us to begin.

Trails at Atherton Commons already exist and are ready to rehab.

We're looking to have people help construct the trail

Discussion about other people who can help with trail planning

Rannenberg: Regarding further deed research, Katie Button from the rec commission could help

Katzenberg: let's see if we can hold public meetings with land owners at town hall or at recreation department. Perhaps ask Craig Fraley

Patenaude: Bill Stoughton from ACC could help with trail planning process

Rannenberg: Please email the proposed 28 public trail projects

Communications Discussion

There is some confusion with the name of the warrant article. "Amherst Street Sidepath" is being confused consistently with 101a. "Village-to-Oval" seems to imply we're focusing on the village and/or building in Milford, which isn't the case. We should solidify the name. Katzenberg: "Village Toward Oval Side path" or "Amherst to Milford Multi-Use Path"

Christiansen: I'd like to volunteer to help with communications

Rannenberg: let's talk to groups like the garden club, Lyons, etc.

Patenaude: its is important that we communicate that this is about cost savings

Christiansen: the bike/ped committee should join the New Hampshire Rail/Trail Coalition

28 Committee provided unanimous consent to join the NH Rail Trails Coalition
29 Buchanan: how can these organizations help us? Christiansen: they can provide resources and
30 lessons-learned from other NH efforts
31 General consensus: we need to prioritize communications ASAP and do our best to provide
32 information to Amherst voters so they may be informed about our warrant article
33 **Meeting Scheduling**
34 We will consider moving monthly meetings to 2nd Tuesdays of each Month at 6pm in Amherst
35 Town Hall