



Newmarket Ad hoc Riverfront Advisory Committee

September 12, 2022
Meeting Minutes – Approved 10/24/2022

Meeting called to order 4PM

Attending: Dale Pike, Gretchen Kast, Samuel Kenney, Joe Lamattina, Ingrid Ahlberg (via phone).

Excused: Michael Hoffman.

Guest: Bart McDonough.

Public Comment opened at 4:02pm, no members of the public were present.

Public Comment closed at 4:02PM meeting minutes from August

The committee agreed to review and approve August 8, 2022 meeting minutes at our next meeting.

Bart reviewed Plan NH. Charrette Grant application objectives, goal is to document how people view the waterfront and how they would like to use it.

Joe Lamattina stated he would like to ask people about Heron Point and the Riverfront, specifically awareness of Heron Point, do they access it, how they access it, how they would like to use the riverfront?

Gretchen Kast suggested the questions should be less open ended and be more geared towards getting a specific response such as "Are you satisfied with access to Heron Point? How do you utilize the river walk? What do you like and not want to change"?

There was discussion about The Mill Space exhibition area and access to the riverfront from the downtown area to the riverfront.

Bart will compile the suggested questions for the Plan NH grant and distribute to the committee members. He is looking to submit the grant application sometime in October.

There was discussion about maintenance of the riverwalk, who is responsible? Gretchen stated, the riverwalk, especially in front of the Rivermoor area needs landscaping and weeding. There

was also discussion about smoking in the area, Joe stated conservation areas are supposed to be Non Smoking areas but there is no signage and there are cigarette butts everywhere. Sam will bring issues up to The Conservation Commission who has these responsibilities.

There was discussion about the desire to have something that will allow people to tie the various trails together with points of interest.

Sam brought the committee up to date on the current CIP status. It was agreed the actual CIP requests should come from the Conservation Commission. Sam will attend the next CIP meeting, scheduled for September 14th, to talk to the two CIP requests (Moonlight Brook, Schanda Park improvements) requested by the committee. Bart stated they are working on CIP Process improvements.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30PM

Next Meeting – October 24, 4PM Town Hall Council Room.