

Downtown PIC Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2018
Town Hall 9 a.m. – Rm 201

Present: David Lapping, Steve Desloge, Randy Herbertson, Dewey Loselle, Jessica Newshel, Pippa Ben Ader, Tony Riggio, Jennifer Fava, Melissa Kane, Pete Ratkiewich, Alicia Mozian, Mary Young, Ken Bernhard, Gary Conrad.

Absent: Foti Koskinas, Craig Schiavone, Steve Smith, Matt Mandell

Approve December Minutes at next meeting.

Project Updates/Status:

PK2 – Avery Baldwin lot co-management. There is an agreed upon lease document and it should be signed by the trustees shortly. After signing, it will have to go before the Board of Finance. Langan Engineering has provided a rough estimate of what the design will cost. Once we have the design finalized, it will go through the relevant land use agencies for approvals. Possible Spring 2019 for construction.

P5 - Restore and Revitalize Elm Street. Hired Langan for preliminary design. The final design needs to be sent out for bids. Project scheduled to be completed in Summer 2019. Pippa asked about LED light fixtures. There should be consistent light fixtures among Parker, Avery/Baldwin and Elm Street, but there isn't a standard yet for downtown lights. Pete would like some help to pick lights that could possibly become the standard. Those interested in this working group (Pippa, David Lapping, David Waldman, Randy Herbertson, Carol Leahy).

M12 – Create a new street: Library Lane. Working group held a meeting with the library in January and got a good sense of the timeline. Pete has an estimate from Langan on library lane, but needs to be reviewed. Landfill issues cause settling and that's what's responsible for the uneven parking lot. Any design discussion will have to take into account that it will likely settle again. Library reconstruction target completed by June 2019. Would be ideal to have the lot and Library Lane done as well, but need to set priorities as there's competition for funding.

G2- Longer Term Alternative Maintenance Delivery system for Downtown Area. Working group is working on a recommendation for DPIC. To consider, would need to show ROI on our Main Street/retail.

Toquet Hall - There is program grant money that should just about cover the snack bar renovation. With Steve's help, local electrician Jimmy Izzo came in before the holidays and Kevin walked him through the project. He was working on putting together a quote for us. Once we have the electrical done and the construction updates, maybe we can approach Aitoro for a discounted rate on appliances.

Wayfinding - It was tabled by the Board of Selectman. But it brought up issues of safety, parking, economic vitality - which can and should be brought up again.

Project Prioritization (DPIC Committee Exercise):

Dewey circulated hard copies and will do so electronically. DPIC to discuss next meeting. For "homework" - rank in terms of priority.