

Richmond Transportation Committee Minutes 1/21/21

Meeting was called to order by Chair Gent at 5:30 PM on 1/12/21.

Motion to approve (Cole/Knowles) the minutes of 1/7/21. The date of the minutes was changed to reflect the date of the meeting, 1/7/21. Unanimous.

UPWP Grant Updates

Bridge Street

- Ravi emailed the consultants this week.
- Street survey was completed this week.
- Consultants are developing preliminary sketches of potential alternatives.
- They have revised the Purpose and Need statement for the project based on community comments from the local concerns meeting and the revised purpose and need statement will be provided to Ravi in a week or two.
- The alternatives presentation meeting will be held in March at a date and time to be determined.

Northern Half of Bike/Pedestrian Master Plan

- Ravi has spoken with the consultants and the holidays have delayed some of their work but they believe they will meet the schedule.
- The wiki map is closing on 1/22/21 but there will still be opportunities for the community to comment on the plan and identify any potential gaps in the system that may not have been identified.
- There will be another meeting of the project steering committee sometime if mid February.
- There will be a public meeting in March to go over the map and to receive additional preliminary findings.
- There will be a concluding meeting in May to wrap up this portion of the planning project.

UPWP Applications

- The new applications were submitted to CVRPC on 1/21/21.
- The sidewalk to Johnny Brook Trail at the intersection of Huntington Rd and Hinesburg Rd will be emphasized during the Bike Pedestrian Master Plan.
- There was general discussion about the \$3,000 grant request to VNRC to support the local matching requirements for this round of the UPWP. While the selectboard has not officially approved of this grant application yet, they are comfortable with the Transportation Committee advancing this request due to the amount, the intended use of the grant and that the meeting schedules didn't line up appropriately to receive approval in advance.

- The Vermont Youth Conservation Corps (VYCC) was mentioned as a possible trail building entity. These construction grants are provided through ANR and the town can work directly with the VYCC and apply jointly through VYCC.

Next meeting is 2/4/21.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:37.