

Schoodic Scenic Byway Corridor Committee Meeting
Gordons Wharf Building
01/12/12

Minutes

Attending: Jim Fisher, Rebecca Slotkin, Barbara Shanahan, Rod Franzius, Pete Drinkwater, Dick Fisher, Bob DeForest, Eve Wilkinson, Gary Edwards, Ruth Franzius, Dick Fisher, Marty Anderson

State submissions for Scenic Byway grant proposals

- Jim summarized six grant proposals submitted by MaineDOT for funding
 - Schoodic Kids Quest
 - Old Canada Road CMP
 - Grindstone Information Facilities
 - Rangeley CMP
 - Grindstone Interpretive Plan
 - Blackwoods CMP
 - Passamaquoddy Interpretive Plan
- Now wait for Federal decision

Gordon's Wharf

- Gary – Announced that Bar Harbor Whale Watch
 - Donation of floats and possibly ramp
 - Need to either truck or tow them here- April or May
 - Need to look at ADA requirements
- Engineering study for Gordon's Wharf
 - Wharf stabilization - \$96,000
 - Need to fill gaps between blocks – textile and stone
 - Build up the outer edge and backfill
 - Entrance Road- \$33,000
 - Widen
- Maine Community Foundation Grant proposal
 - Trails to the water
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- Land and water conservation grant proposal
 - Access to recreation
- Interpretive Area
 - Can we integrate a trail up to the deck with an interpretive area
 - Some interpretive signs can go on the deck
 - Need to get drawing of the septic system
 - Themes
 - Granite

- Penobscot Maritime Museum- scanned images
- Kids area – story of granite
 - Mining – granite,
 - Transporting
 - Cutting
 - Shipping
- Granite museum – on MDI?
- Buell’s bone yard
- Smith’s – back in business mining
- Mines under the river – John Daily has images, etc.
 - Boondoggles?
 - Smelter
 - Worker housing
 - Mining district map
- Bay Ecology
 - Marine Research
 - Fishing
 - Ecosystem
- Information signs
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- Wayfinding and Interpretation
 - Wayfinding signs
 - Replace logo signs

Sunrise Trail Update

- Tunk Lake facility
- Who will do the work?
- **IDEA:** Can we get Google to drive or peddle the trail for street level view?

Action: Letter to the Towns – Third party request

- Request for \$1,000.00
- Indicate what we have done
- What the funds would do

State Byway Conference

- SERC is available
- Bangor
- February
 - Avoid vacation week

Modena Property Sale

- Line Timber company purchased property
- Sell the conservation easements
- Retain lumbering rights
- Sell land in about five years
- MCHT has an option on 1,400 acres for conservation
- Discussion of building a campground
- Schoodic to Schoodic
 - Wildlife corridor
 - Trail?

Next steps

Meet with Larry

– figure out what resources are available –

- Need a financial account of funds
 - What's left, what can we use it for?
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- Tidal Falls
 - Gordon's Wharf
 - Prospect Harbor
 - Develop an interpretive plan with details
 - Wayfinding signs

Next Meeting

- February 7, 2012 8:30 AM (*Revised to February 8, 2012 if possible*)
- Work session on interpretation
- In advance – Jim send out locations, themes
- Committee can bring images