Schoodic Byway Corridor Management Committee 2/17/2011 Minutes

Introductions

Barbara Shanahan, Frank Dedmon, Dick Fisher, Peter Drinkwater, John Kelly, Janet Michaud, Jim Fisher, Barbara Bowen

Regrets: Larry Johannesman

January Minutes: Corrections: Cathy Carruthers, Bruce MacKay attended

Map Brochure

- Sent RFP to various bidders
- Need to push this forward don't want to be late

Peter noted that the Grand Canyon National Park brochure indicates private businesses

- Our process right now does not include private business, but rather links to Chambers of Commerce
- We will look into options in the future this would help to pay some of our costs.

Brochure Exercise

- We divided into regional groups (primarily by town)
- Each group created sample windows for specific sites
 - o Historic
 - o Recreational
 - o Scenic
 - o Cultural
 - o Natural Resource
- These forms were typed into a table (attached)

Next Steps

- RFP Deadline was ambiguous, but now is 2/25/11
- We will use the next meeting (3/9/11) to work on photographs for each of the sites

Mobile Apps

- John Kelly and Peter Drinkwater indicated some future options for mobile applications for byway visitors (primarily using cell phones)
- The brochure will be a mechanism for developing content
- Example: Chimani mobile apps that work in the parks www.chimani.com/parks.html#acadia

National Park Update – John Kelly

SERC-

- Received economic stimulus funds
- Rebuilding the gate house
- Segmenting general park visitors from Schoodic Research and Education staff
- For Tourists
 - o Year Round Restroom
 - Staffing volunteer and park staff
 - o Information Orientation
 - o Campus will be open but may not be a priority once people know what is there
 - o Welcome Center at the Rockefeller Building
 - o Brochures for the byway -

- For education and research
 - o Rockefeller Welcome Desk
 - Like a front desk at the hotel
- Ribbon Cutting August 24, 2011 at SERC

Signs and Interpretive Panels

- Replacing all of the panels at Frazer Point and Schoodic Point
 - North of Picnic Area featuring View
 - o Four signs at Schoodic Point
 - o Blueberry Hill

Schoodic Head

- May put a temporary interpretive panel on Schoodic Head
- Wildlife corridor Schoodic to Schoodic Corridor

Who does park interpretive work?

- Lynne Dominy –Chief of Interpretation for ANP
- Works with interpretive center based in WV

Road Signs – Should be in by August

Moore Road Sign – Larry is working on this

Gordon's Wharf

- Working on an RFP for surveying and site design particularly for the boat ramp
- House is likely to be rented by Maine Coast Heritage Trust and Friends of Taunton Bay
- Still waiting on grant applications

Signage

- Logo signs faded quickly
- Some other new MaineDOT signs have peeled off completely (Not byway signs)
- Preference of group National logo on the signs at start and finish, but not all the signs in between
- Reduce or remove MAINE put in Schoodic (just a suggestion)

Next Meeting

- Wednesday, March 9: 1:00 PM Schoodic Byway Committee
- Wednesday, March 9: 4:00 PM Sullivan Harbors Committee