

Schoodic Byway Corridor Committee
03/15/07
Minutes

Attending: Roger Barto, Barbara Shanahan, Peter Drinkwater, Larry Johannesman, Jim Fisher, Nancy Montgomery, Rod and Ruth Franzius

Note: John Kelly, Andrew Sankey and Frank Dedmon notified us that they could not attend.

Roger Barto - discussion of Winter Harbor downtown revitalization

- Roger chronicled the efforts of the Town to work with Maine DOT
- There have been some difficulties blending funding
- because the BHE ownership of wires, public funds are restricted
- lighting location designer - Roger Lettney at MaineDOT
- hoping that installation will be completed this fall
- street lights will be dark sky compliant - fully shielded
- byway will pay for the street lights, town will own the lights
- town will pay for underground utilities

Critique

- this process has been very complicated
- town got ahead of MaineDOT on spending, making the matching portion more difficult
- coordination within MaineDOT has been poor – multiple utilities and funding sources
- John Balicki and Mike Falla, both key players, left MaineDOT midway through the process
- Roger's Email is winterharbor@downeast.net

Interpretive signs

Taunton Bay Banquet - good, keep raccoon, blend in the clam and lumpfish,

Crossing through time - good, change directions to the historical society, white text at bottom

Singing bridge - good, incorporate bridge girder from Hancock Town Office if possible

Strong tides – good

Schooners Plied – good

Rusticators Rails - Like train close up, remove blue ferry and train station , shrink tickets and schedules

Wander the old Waukeag – the new photo is better – but somewhat out of context with the text.

Might add a trail photo or other wildlife shots,
“now this walking path” -> “now a walking path”
Move eagle to the left

Historic Architecture

- Historic society will mark it up with exact locations and mail it to Nancy
- Choice of houses - tower or no tower - keep the tower
- Need row for Bristol House (???)
- Check the text, edit some out if possible
 - Drop "Sullivan's Architecture is a window into its past"
- Want to be sure that the photo resolution is adequate
- Check relative locations of the Customs House and Stone House
- Look for Cascade House, Built as an in or boarding house...

View of Frenchman Bay

- While he was Boston -> While he was in Boston
- (Question: Find out if Sargent Mountain was named after Paul)
- Tone down the "now" boating to match the Then boating
- Moon Island not Moon island

Summer Rusticators - good

Fed by the tides

- still conceptual, need better photos when we have leaf out,
- Pete - send Jim contact for tide clock

Where Glaciers Mt the Ocean

- Nice overall
- Move "you are here" a little east
- Un-number the mammoths
- Remove mile numbers
- Move fade-bar over to show the Humboldt reference

A working landscape

- Would like a better picture of a clammer. Replace main photo if possible.
- remove "at a time"
- Remove some of the text about bloodworms

Discover Gems of Winter Harbor and Discover Architectural Gems

- Like to have a map - Can draw from Google Earth
 - map should indicate historic structures
 - harbor - indicate location, not a call out
- #3 need date for the building
- #4 Whitehouse Store
- #6 replace Baptist Church spire with school house picture
- Discussed putting boats in, but that may be another panel

Fires Changed

- Peter see if this can be located near to Channing Chapel
- Need to reduce pink in inset

Lobstering for a Living

- Keep shorter texts “Fishing has changed”,,, and “Twenty to thirty”
- and “Lobstermen begin from the other panel”

Lighthouse Down East warned Ships of Danger

- MAP - Jim try to make a new one
- Don't show camera from Schoodic Head without ANP permission
- Map goes to upper left
- Red Roof picture for post card lower right

Prospect Harbor Lighthouse

- Down East Light Houses:
- Prospect Harbor and Beyond
- Like the central photo
- Jim will prepare a better map
- View of Petit Manan from Blueberry Cove
- Bigger font for Petit Manan
- Work on tones - see if Boat can be more visible

Grants

Jim summarize what was decided at MaineDOT

Jim is encouraged by the committee to contact Bob LaRoche about a local match option

Barbara wants to draft letters - engage legislative delegation

- we are upset
- administrative funds - can identify local match - towns have contributed in the past
- byways need administrative support - don't want to loose momentum
- volunteers have put in a lot of time - 10 year of effort
- project completion is good, funds are being spent
- copy to Gov. Baldacci, David Cole, Sen. Dennis Damon, Rep. Rob Eaton
- great federal match - need to maintain a presence

Reminder about the State Byway Conference

- March 28-29
- Bar Harbor
- Information available at www.acadiabyway.org

National Byway Conference

- REGISTRATION DEADLINE FRIDAY