

Schoodic National Scenic Byway Corridor Committee
Thursday April 16, 2015 9:00 – 11:00 AM
Minutes

Welcome / Introductions

Attending: Peter Drinkwater, Eve Wilkinson, Kathy Carruthers, Frank Dorsey, Aaron Dority, John Kelly, Larry Johannesman, Barbara Bowen, Dick Fisher, Bob Deforrest, Rod and Ruth Franzius, Jim Fisher

Approval of November 20, 2014 Minutes

Quick Updates

- [Town Report Distributed](#)
- [Non-profit corporate report filed](#)
- MaineDOT Long Range Plan
- MaineDOT Three Year Plan
- [National Scenic Byway Foundation](#)
- Eve Wilkinson pending retirement

Gouldsboro is just starting their search for a new Town Manager
Thanks Eve for all your work!

Schoodic Woods – Update from John Kelly, et al.

Potential opening of September 1st

May have a quiet opening to begin managing the facility

When will the trails/carriage roads open?

- Won't block people from using the trails
- Campground entrance will be blocked
- Dick noted that the trails were used for cross country skiing this winter
- Staff from MDI will come to operate the facility in the fall
- IE will operate into the campground
- Bike racks
 1. 3 in front
 2. 3 in back – if possible
- Trail connection from Winter Harbor to Campground would be a help

Moore Road being renamed to Schoodic Loop Road-sign has been delivered

Projection of use?

- Have 100 space parking, 93 space campground
- Capacity of 300 people

RV and trailers use will not be permitted on the loop road

- Signs will go up on September

May 11, 6:00 PM: Schoodic Chamber of Commerce will hold a public meeting at the Winter Harbor Town Office

- Will someone be there to talk about business planning assistances

Park Transportation Plan

- NPS is working on a park transportation plan
- Public meeting will be held at Hammond Hall in June or July
 1. Ferry Service
 2. Acadia Gateway Center
 3. MDI
 1. Cadillac Mt
 2. Loop Road
 3. Island Explorer
 4. Schoodic Loop
 5. Isleford and other islands

Schoodic Ped, Pedal Paddle Project

- Funding update
 1. HCPC has received the \$15,000 Betterment Foundation Grant
 2. Suggest calling Megan Shore at Sewall Foundation to let them know we received this grant – NB. I called and had a nice conversation with President Jay Espy.
- Partnership opportunities
- Next Steps
- Aaron – in the process of updating the FBC trail maps
- Larry – Katadhin woods – held a trails conference
 1. Suggest holding a similar meeting
 2. Also – suggest adding safety information particularly for paddlers
 1. Tell people when you are leaving, where you are going, when you plan to return
 2. Al Johnson – Coast Guard 617-223-8464 Advisor recreational boating
 3. Peter – some trails put sign-in sheets

Kid's Quest – Larry Johannesman

LAP terminated Smaller contracts have been signed with HCPC

- Logo sign – Larry held up an example – approximate size 16 x 18”
- Metal sign on pressure treated
 1. Tidal Falls - Tides
 2. Taunton Bay - Trains
 3. Gordon's Wharf - Granite
 4. Frenchman Bay - Coastal Waters – image boat
 5. Long Cove – Mud
 6. Winter Harbor - Seaweed Secrets
 7. Prospect Harbor - Lobster

Tidal Falls

- Combined efforts
- Tide Chart – might have a sample with a link to actual tide charts
- Could we also have a discussion about delays in tides between Bar Harbor and Taunton Bay
- Move the little man up to the “Gravity Rules”
- Try to reduce and simplify the text as possible – may not be able to explain the 14' tides without more science
 1. Remove Fresh water... in the habitat section

2. Aaron – might mention animals you might see
 3. Move the Seagull – Seal image to be near Habitat
- Overall – people like the approach
 - We will want to kid-test this to make sure it works

Taunton Bay Gateway

- Don't know – back burner
- Need to move this ahead

Gordon's Wharf

- Granite Story
 1. Tools embedded in granite
 - 2.
- Stages of production
 1. Splitting rocks
 2. Cobbles piled on wharf
 3. Installed cobble road



Frenchman Bay

1. All set – telescope is working great
2. Need the Kids Quest Logo

Long Cove

1. How much land is sub-tidal?
2. Jim – Contact John Noll – Submerge Lands or Sea Grant?
3. Landscaping

Camp Moore

1. All set
2. Sign is at the Skowhegan Historical Society
3. Will bring it down
4. Kids Quest logo will be beside the sign



Prospect Harbor

- Boat is in
- Logo sign needs to be installed
- Granite bench and sign blocks will be installed this summer
 1. May put the sign on the south end of the bridge
 2. Might look for other events at the Town Office
- Christening – might be done with younger kids participate (the older ones have moved on) Will wait until the final steps have been implemented.

Signage Grant

- Gordon's Wharf
 1. Done – Thanks Gary
- Sumner Memorial Park
 1. Elements have been delivered to Falmouth Graphic Artist

2. Need to settle on the location for the pad and water tank.
- Dorcas Library
 1. Graphic artist will come to the library for imagery
 2. Jim gave one bike rack to Barbara Bowen for installation at Dorcas. Jim has cement at HCPC.

Winter Harbor Visitor Center Project

- Don't have a plan for this yet
- Need a good site map
- Cathy will provide Larry with a site survey of the location
- Will try to get something on paper for the towns to review – possibly at the May 11 chamber of commerce

Events

- Independence Day – July 4
- Schoodic Arts July 26 – August 8
- Winter Harbor Lobsters Festival – August 8

Aaron – Update on two new trails

- FBC Closed on property in Sullivan to build Long Ledges to Schoodic Mountain (ultimately)
- Taft Point off of Route 1 in Gouldsboro
 1. Small trail loops will be built fall or spring with MCC Trail Crew
 2. Across the street from Mandela Farms
 3. Parking will be off the road with a gate keeping people away from the private residence
 4. View of Hog Island
 5. Water Access – kayak