

Glover Planning Commission minutes

May 17, 2022

The zoom meeting was called to order at 7:11 by Randy.

Randy, Mariel, Carmela, Steve, Doug, Cheri and Liz present.

Randy said that D&K have submitted what they think is their final plan. But Steve and Randy have an objection – they would like the marketing plan integrated into the plan. They have composed an email to Dayton asking him to do that. Trip also responded and will do that and he thanked Randy.

Randy sent out a list for quickly listing priorities in the implementation the Glover Plan.

Carmela suggested we go down the list and discuss. Steve suggested the next six steps for each priority:

1. Get funding 2. Get grant 3. apply to VTrans 4. Get permission 5. Tactical urbanism (“city, organizational, and/or citizen-led approach to neighborhood building using short-term, low-cost, and scalable interventions to catalyze long-term change.” Wikipedia) 6. organizing volunteers

*A Crosswalk at the intersection of Dexter Mountain Road: Maybe we could do a demonstration project to see how it would work. Temporary crosswalk. Put up cones for lanes. Install stop light at Glover Street. Install diagonal parking lines in front of Curriers. Install decorative light poles. Have brackets put on lights for banner.

*Improve sidewalk from corner of Bean Hill to Green. Note; VTrans controls sidewalks within 16 rods (22 feet) of the center line. Carmela observed that we need to measure this!\Install decorative landscaping along the edge of the road on both sides – “Tactical urbanism and volunteers.

Other comments about these demonstration projects: in the discussion of noise and sidewalks perhaps the comments of the actual residents along RT 16 should have an extra weight. The sidewalk is expensive to make and keep clear of snow.

*Cheri Safford proposed a gathering of RT 16 residents at her homes’ back yard to talk about these issues. Randy said we will form a subcommittee.

*To improve the access and usability of the riverfront next to the Fire Department building and nursing home – a walking path? Gravel or stay mat? Donated materials and heavy equipment?

*Building a permanent open pavilion on green. Flood regulations are easier for an open pavilion. Randy has a commitment from Makio. He would donate part of the labor, perhaps have a maker workshop. Nick will donate timbers. Mariel asked about a large tent to try out the concept. Jason Racine has a large tent that is about \$800. to put up. It is not known how long it could be up. Would the town purchase a tent? Toni is interested in a tent for library use and she and the Planning Committee will explore the purchase of tents.

*Generate extra parking at the Green. That would take some heavy equipment and some gravel.

*Redo landscaping. Relocate Memorial Rock, perhaps transplant existing trees, plant foliage barrier along the side near Sylvia’s house. Maybe school kids could be involved.

*Children’s play area. Volunteers and donated equipment

*Gateway signage at each end of Glover's part of RT 16. Grants/money

*Information center at Currier's

* Install EV charging station

*Mike Zeigler is interested in a bike repair station and may provide some funding. Install a handicap access to the Green from the Nursing Home. We should reach out to Pat Russell about this.

*Access trail from school, down the hill and across the Still Hill Bridge.

*Improve Barton River frontage: picnic area and table(s)

*Portable ice skating rink

*Access on VT Dept of Game area for fishing/ contact to ask if they would like to be a presence on Glover Day

Steve asked which are the priorities. Mariel thought 1. Set up the tent 2. Children's play area. Steve observed this all needs more conversation. Randy asked everyone to answer the survey.

The legal status of the green is still pending. Sara Davies Coe says it will be cleared up in the next few months.

The first day of the Glover's Farmer's Market will be June 12th, 11 to 2 PM.

The next meeting will be June 21st, and will be a zoom meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Nelson, Secretary