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Merrimack Town Center Committee  
Minutes for TCC Meeting of Friday, March 29, 2019

**Call to order:** 12:03

**Present:** Nelson Disco, Peter Flood, Bill Wilkes, Bill Cummings, Karen Freed, Matt Shavenell, Jackie Flood. **Excused:** Finlay Rothhaus.

**Minutes:** Minutes of Feb 15 were unanimously approved with Jackie abstaining.

**Old Business:**

TCC vacancies: no change

Status Planning Board Study: Nelson explained that the NRPC has a map done of the sidewalk and highway. Mr. Radowski of district 5 needs a master plan before the state approves the sidewalk. The State is still looking to go out to bid this fall on the Souhegan River Trail. O’Gara Drive has been moved one year out.

The Winter Carnival table set up by the TCC Committee was successful, with many people stopping by to learn more about our work and the trails.

Bill Cummings told us that Becky Thompson will post anything we give her on the Town website.

**New Business:**

The State of NH DOT will have an all-day workshop to discuss standards for crosswalks on state roads.

Nelson is on the Board of Directors of 2 River Advisory Committees: the Souhegan and the Merrimack. Their information is on social media with accounts on Twitter and Facebook.

Bill Wilkes has been active with SCORE for 12 years. They use social media, and so should we, to attract the younger people. Nelson and Bill W. think that we

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should have a presence; a website would be great. Matt will make an inquiry about a School student who might help us. The student would need to know what we would want to say. We need key words for “website/search engine optimization” to help people find us.

It would be helpful to have a map of safer bike routes. A contractor for the NH Dept. of Transportation would like to have a regional plan for bicycling and for pedestrians. Nelson is a delegate to a bicycle committee representing the Nashua area. Bill W. brought up any liability for suggesting safe bike routes. Bill C. suggested talking to Becky about what we can say and not say, and verify our ability to use social media.

We might have a table at the pancake breakfast on the fourth of July; last year it worked okay.

Our meetings will be “on demand” on You Tube. ????

May 17 will be our next meeting day.

We adjourned at 12:50: Bill C. moved, Peter seconded.