

**Approved June 11, 2021**

**Town Center Committee  
Draft Minutes for the Meeting of April 16, 2021**

This meeting was held via the Zoom software program, with each participant and guest remaining at home or in their offices

**Present:** Nelson Disco, Bill Cummings, Bill Wilkes, Kyle Fox, and Karen Freed and Finlay Rothhaus

**Excused:** Matt Shevenell

**Guests:** Nicholas Lavallee

**Minute Taker:** Nelson Disco

**February 19, 2021 Minutes**

The Minutes of the TCC meeting of February 19 were approved on a motion by Bill Cummings seconded by Finlay Rothhaus by a vote of 5-0-1. Because this was an electronic meeting, a roll-call vote was required which is recorded as follows: Bill Cummings, aye; Nelson Disco, aye; Karen Freed, aye; Bill Wilkes, aye; Kyle Fox, aye and Finlay Rothhaus abstained..

**Old Business Discussions:**

**4a.** No change to the status of the Souhegan River footbridge. (In next NHDOT Ten Year Plan)

**4b.** DES has approved our Shoreland permit request for the Souhegan River Trail. We still do not have approval for wetlands impact or from NH Historical Resources Department. DPW still hopes to be able to advertise for construction in August 2021, but this now looks questionable.

**4c.** No progress on Woodbury Street project. Kyle advised that DPW design engineer has been focused on the Turkey Hill/ Baboosic Lake Road roundabout design. Engineering work is needed for Woodbury project to submit an application for wetlands impact.

Discussion was held on holding an outdoor/introduction video taping session on Woodbury Street to replace the originally hoped-for groundbreaking ceremony. Nicholas Lavallee and Bill Wilkes agreed to get together during the week of April 19 and plan an on-site video taping session. Committee Members will be notified by email and invited to participate.

**4d.** High School Master Traffic Plan is still on hold. Needs support from newly elected School Board.

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**4e.** The TCC has now launched it's own Facebook Page on the Merrimack web site. Nicholas is encouraging everyone to visit the page and to invite townspeople to participate. Nicholas requested that he be made a member of the TCC and the Chairman agreed to pursue this with the Town Council.

**4g.** Kyle Fox gave the Committee a review of an alternate funding plan for replacement of the Route3/Baboosic Brook bridge which he is pursuing with help from the Town Council who have agreed to fund an engineering study which will provide data to support the application. Bridge is currently planned for replacement in 2023/24. He will provide an update to the Town Council on April 22.

### **New Business**

**a.** There was discussion of planning for a video taping on Woodbury Street as noted above.

### **Public Comments**

There were no public comments received at this meeting.

**Next Meeting** – Next regular TCC Meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 11, 2021. There was discussion about returning our meetings to in-person meetings at the Town Hall. All seemed to be in favor, but no vote was taken. The Chairman will further investigate and coordinate with Town offices.

**Adjournment** – Bill Wilkes moved and Bill Cummings seconded to adjourn at 1:15 pm. Approved 6-0. Roll call Vote taken, all were in favor: