TOWN CENTER COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MARCH 24, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 12:02.

Present: Nelson Disco, Peter Flood, Bill Wilkes, Bill Cummings, Mary Hendricks,

Finlay Rothhaus

Excused: Jackie Flood, Karen Freed, Matt Shevenell,

Minutes of Feb. 10 were read and approved as corrected.

Old Business:

Status of Souhegan River Trail: The Environmental and Natural Resources Agency has approved it. There are adverse impacts caused by the trail. The Historical and Cultural Resources Agency have concerns: are there any traces of Native Americans? They will do testing this spring. The timing for construction will likely be in 2018.

The 2016 TAP grant has not been sent to the Governor and Executive Council yet.

The Lawn Steps: Bill Wilkes reported that the granite for the new steps down to D. W. Highway will be provided at a discount by Ward Gleason, and installed without charge by Sean O'Keefe of O'Keefe Landscaping. The Rotary Club has been asked to donate funds for this project.

The video of Bill Cummings and Nelson Disco will be played on the Community Channel of Merrimack TV. The next community outreach project will be video taken on different sites in the Town Center.

At their last meeting, the Merrimack School Board voted to include sidewalk funding in their new Capital Budget, to go up O'Gara Dr.

Other New Business:

Winter Farmers' Market is no longer worthwhile due to small attendance. Winter Carnival was successful in every way; we had good traffic and handed out maps and information.

The Town Center brochure and map: Mary Hendrix has asked her daughter to do another brochure and has talked with NRPC to shrink down the map to fit.

Bill Cummings will look into streaming our new video.

There were lots of ideas to simplify the map. Mary will get some alternatives to accomplish an easy- to -read- and- use map.

Public Comment:

None

Next Meeting:

April 21, 2017

Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 1:03