

Blair Square Committee

December 18, 2018

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Barbieri at 6 pm

Present: P. Barbieri, S. Lively, M. Ellis, K. Conley, W. McGrath, also present was non-member and abutter B. Asbin and his wife.

Absent: J. Errickson, G. Rice, H. Brockett

Old Business:

Me. Barbieri showed the committee a drawing that he received from GLM that showed the proposed easement along the Rail Trail behind Casey's. Casey's property line is right at their back door. There would be approximately 30 ft. from Railroad St. to the easement line. Along with a raised berm at the parking spaces we would propose a post and rail fence along the easement line with openings every 8-10 feet for pedestrian traffic. Mr. Asbin was concerned about parking for some of his tenants if the road was made one-way. Mr. Barbieri stated that this was really an issue for the selectmen, not this committee.

It was suggested that Mr. Barbieri meet with the owners of Casey's to see if obtaining an easement was a possibility.

We would like to meet again in early January so that this could get moving and also to give the committee a chance to discuss the grant process.

Mr. Asbin presented a written list of his concerns for the committee. The list is attached to these minutes.

New Business:

A discussion arose on the grant process and the possibility of getting the town involved. Mr. Barbieri mentioned that the grant process could take up to six months before we saw any money and that we would most likely want to move much quicker than that.

Next Meeting:

A possible date for the next meeting would be January 8, 2019. S. Lively brought up having Inga Daniels at that meeting as she has done a lot of design work already on the area around Blair Square. It was

decided that maybe we hold off on having Inga at the meeting until the grant discussion was finalized. Mr. Barbieri mentioned that Beals and Thomas have agreed to work on the concept plan for free.


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A motion was made by Mr. Lively, seconded by Mr. Barbieri to accept the minutes of November 26, 2018. Motion approved.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. Conley, seconded by Mr. Lively to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walter R. McGrath". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Walter R. McGrath, Clerk