

DATE: August 25, 2005
 TIME: 7:00
 ADJOURNED: 9:00

PLACE: NB Community Church
 NAME OF RECORDER: Bill Morrissey
 NEXT MEETING DATE, TIME AND LOCATION: Thursday, September 22nd, 7-9pm Community Church

LIVABLE, WALKABLE COMMUNITIES MEETING MINUTES

COMMITTEE/GROUP NAME: New Boston LWC Steering Committee

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lee Ann Allen, Robert Briere, Betsy Dodge, Nancy Biederman, Pat Jennings, Dona Fairbairn, Katie Kachavos, Bill Morrissey, Randy Parker, Sandi Van Scoyoc, Rachel Wallace, Nonah Poole, Jan White, Terry Johnson, Gail Parker, Louise Robie and Lyn Lombard.

TOPICS	DISCUSSION	ACTION	KEY PERSON
<u>Welcome and Introductions</u>	Sandi began with a review of the agenda.		
<u>Vision Statement</u>	With Steering Cmte input, a final vision statement read: “To improve pedestrian and bicycle safety within the New Boston Village and greater community by working together to develop, connect and protect pathways between destinations.”		
<u>Steering Cmte Report:</u>	Sandi announced that Judy Keefe and Candy Woodbury withdrew from the Steering Cmte as school reps. She asked everyone to think of someone else who could serve in this capacity.	Recruit school rep.	Steering Cmte members
<u>Marketing & Promotion Cmte Report:</u>	Cmte is drawing attention to the Oct. 20 meeting by promoting a picture contest submitted to NB Bulletin. A full page will accommodate 12 architectural elements in the downtown area, which participants must identify correctly. A winner will be drawn from all correct responses. A donation of high-end walking shoes will be sought as a prize. Names on contest forms will also be used to encourage attendance at Oct. 20 meeting. Cmte will also have registration for Oct. 20 at Back to School	Marketing & Promotion Cmte to continue with plans to generate interest and attendance at Oct. 20 meeting.	Cyndie, Lee Ann, Gail, Lyn and Rachel

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<p><u>Workshop & Meeting Cmte Report:</u></p> <p><u>GIS Mapping Cmte Report:</u></p>	<p>night, town picnic, the church yard sale, and County Fair.</p> <p>Gail circulated draft of logo. The design maintained clarity of image when reduced for promotional purposes and letterhead.</p> <p>Lyn discussed how Cmte could get people to attend Oct. 20 meeting. Steering Cmte members will e-mail names and addresses of friends and relatives to Lyn by September 10. Lyn will prepare the letters and each member will add a personal note. Members were asked to seek donations of paper and envelopes, color TBD. Lyn will speak to Town Administrator about paying for postage. We need approximately 2500 letters total, 1900 for mailing. All materials are to state, "Support from Livable, Walkable Communities, a Program of NH Celebrates Wellness"</p> <p>Sandi requested assistance in getting donations to provide the Cmte with a budget. We will also need a treasurer to account for revenue and expenditures.</p> <p>Cmte working on logistics for Oct. 20 meeting. Light refreshments will be served. Terry asked for pictures of New Boston for his presentation on Oct. 20.</p> <p>Discussed conversations and e-mails with SNHPC. Fire Dept. base maps may not be available in time for Oct. 20 meeting. GIS is too expensive currently as costs are borne by each town. Although, Terry pointed out that since Nashua produced its own map, there may be more funds available to New Boston for mapping.</p> <p>An LCD projector may be available for use at the Oct 20 meeting to highlight specific pathways, barriers, etc. throughout NB.</p>	<p>Finish draft</p> <p>Marketing & Promotion Cmte to continue with plans to generate interest and attendance at Oct. 20 meeting.</p> <p>Send names and address to Lyn at lynken@verizon.net by Sept. 10</p> <p>Recruit fundraiser</p> <p>Workshop & Meeting Cmte to continue with plans for accommodating participants at Oct. 20 meeting. Steering Cmte members to send pictures of NB to Terry at tjohnson@nhcw.org</p> <p>Obtain pricing on limited mapping data using SNHPC. Secure use of LCD projector from PWA.</p>	<p>Gail</p> <p>Cyndie, Lee Ann, Gail, Lyn and Rachel</p> <p>Steering Com. Members</p> <p>Sandi</p> <p>Pat, Katie and Sarah</p> <p>Steering Cmte Members</p> <p>Randy, Bill, and Roch</p>

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<p><u>Baseline Data/Community Assessment Report:</u></p>	<p>Overall-Cyndie: Not present Aesthetics-Dona: Completed Destinations and Linkages-Betsy and Pat: Completed Environment & Health-Lyn: Near Completion Historic Preservation-Mike: Near Completion Housing-Burton: Not present Open Space-Ken: Not present Safety-John and Katie: Working on Vibrant Economy-John and Katie: Working on Village Center- Louise volunteered to do this piece Final reports will be sent to Sandi who will develop a draft for review at next meeting.</p>	<p>Everyone should send his/her assessment to Sandi at sandivs@allvantage.com by Sept. 8.</p>	<p>All baseline data volunteers</p>
<p><u>Foot Traffic and Road Safety Cmte Report:</u></p>	<p>Dona presented information about the Transportation Enhancement Program and the proposal she and others wrote on behalf of the FTRSC for a footbridge to the south village (post office area). NH towns, including NB, under utilize available funds for alternative transportation solutions. NB has never received this funding. Dona shared that submitting the proposal is the first step in a lengthy process. We will know if we are funded in June of 2006. Although we have not yet heard from community residents on their ideas to make NB more livable and walkable, this funding would not be available to NB again until 2007. We were strongly encouraged to apply by the SNHPC. The FTRSC could not pass up the opportunity presented and chose the footbridge because it was a very concrete, distinct project that would easily expand foot and bicycle traffic capability to the south village. We will want to apply again in 2007 and 2009 when we have our LWC plan.</p>		
<p><u>Master Plan</u></p>	<p>Members briefly discussed the results of the Master Plan Questionnaire. Next Master Plan Cmte meeting at Town Hall August 31.</p>		
<p><u>Old Business</u></p>	<p>Randy and Bob will follow-up with Town Administrator regarding article in NB Bulletin which ran counter to previous agreement among FTRSC, NB Road Agent, Selectman and NH DOT re: crosswalk from library to Dodge's.</p>	<p>Talk with Burton.</p>	<p>Randy and Bob</p>

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<p><u>New Business</u></p>	<p>Nancy Biederman shared her plan to develop a better and safer playground behind Town Hall with support from the NB Playground Association. Nancy is currently searching for funding sources. TD Bank North has established an account via the NB Playground Association's non-profit status for funding received for the new playground. Dona recommended searching through state resources for obesity mitigation funds.</p> <p>Nonah Poole is representing the Historical Society on the Steering Cmte. The HS announced the availability of origination date signs for ANY homeowners' dwelling. The signs can be ordered through the HS at homeowners' expense. Binney Clark is working on an old barn photo record for NB.</p>	<p>Send ideas for playground funding directly to Nancy Biederman at Nanlynn06@aol.com or contact Nancy at 487-5277.</p>	<p>Steering Cmte Members</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>The next meeting will be on Thursday, September 22 at the Community Church at 7:00.</p>	<p>Reserve Room</p>	<p>Pat</p>