

## **Bucksport Bicycle-Pedestrian Planning Committee**

11/17/2008

Minutes

**Attending:** Dave Milan, Jim Fisher, Jim Zeman, Mary Cuskelly

### **Introductions**

- Jim Zeman: President of DE Outing Club, interested in creating longer trails, anything walkable, recreation
- Mary Cuskelly: Trails, kids physical activity, walking trail town to school, (Note: Dave indicated that the town owns Miles Lane ROW)
- Dave: Representing town, enhancing economic development opportunities, enhancing downtown, quality of life
- Jim Fisher: Health, Connectivity

### **Who else?**

- Mary Jane Bush
- Jeff Hammond – CEO, E911 Officer,
- Jef Fitzgerald and son
- Chris Jones – Cross Country Coach – Silver Lake Road / Area
- Jay Durost – MMA
- Jim Tannehill – Cyclist, lives on McDonald Street
- Jennifer Reefler – Verona Island Cyclist
- Duane Nadeau – Public Works Director

### **Reason for this Process**

- Set priorities
  - Sidewalks
  - Trails
- Identify funding for sidewalks and trails
- Suggest policies for future development – such as subdivision requirements
- Suggest capital improvement and maintenance programs for trails and sidewalks

### **Guest Speakers**

- Brunswick
- Gardiner-Augusta
- MDI Trails Committee / ANP Trails Maintenance
- Portland Eastern Trail

## **Gaps in current system**

- Winter maintenance for sidewalks
- Riverwalk – not plowed, partly to protect the surface from frost heave
- Main Street to School Trail along Miles Lane right of way
- No road shoulder in downtown section of Route 1 (Bridge to True Value)
- Left turn sign for Belfast is too close to the intersection, people attempt lane changes too late

## **Existing Infrastructure**

- Snowmobile Maps – [www.familysnowmobileclub.com](http://www.familysnowmobileclub.com)
- Cul-de-sac residential areas behind Family Dollar
- Water pipeline – mill to Silver Lake and Silver Lake to Alamoosic Lake

## **Step 1: Purpose and Needs**

- Town of Bucksport
  - Sidewalks – town center
- Time Frame for the plan

## **Next Steps:**

### Homework

- Mary Cuskelly – will inquire whether any students would be willing to take on a mapping project – indicating where there are sidewalks
  - Photographer
  - GPS
  - Notes
- Jim
  - Prepare infrastructure maps
- Jim Zeman
  - assist Mary
  - woods trails
- Next meeting: Alternatives
  - Wednesday, Dec 10
  - Friday, Dec 12
  - Monday, Dec 15

Meeting Preference Poll: <http://www.doodle.com/e54uae2whqew5k6>