

## Bi-Town Minutes Thursday, April 7, 2016

### Attendees

- Ken Black
- Sharon Cunningham
- Tom Fitzgerald
- John Gannon
- Gretchen Havreduk
- Ryan Holton
- Brandon McGrail
- Scott Murphy
- Heidi Taylor
- Randy Terk

The meeting was called to order by Ryan Holton at 8:07 AM

On a motion by Heidi Taylor, seconded by Sharon Cunningham, the minutes were approved unanimously

### Bi-Town Marketing

- Centro's top keywords are
  - Lakes
  - Hiking
  - Lodging
- Vickery Hill estimates an additional \$6k - \$8k for the changes
- Savings on a minor refresh of website will offset additional Vickery Hill costs
- Bloggers being identified
- May report to the Selectboard's, but Dover will need to occur during the 2<sup>nd</sup> board meeting

### Valley Trail

- Act 250 affidavits to be given by Heidi Taylor and John Greene
- Wetlands discussed and mitigated by bridges and/or wooden walkways
- Next reprint of paper maps will emphasize Google maps which contain the Valley Trail
- Valley wide app suggested
- Sharon to investigate
- High cost to develop
- Use of existing trail apps preferred by hikers

### Telecommunications

- Vermont Public Service grant to install mini cell towers – Routes 9 and 100 S to be installed this summer
- Still an unserved cell service area between Wilmington and Dover
- Duncan cable has installed fiber to the home on Higley Hill road at a cost of \$54.95 for 30 Mbps down/5 Mbps up.

## Town Reports

### Wilmington

- Cost to rehab the old Wilmington High School was estimated by Stevens & Assoc. at between 5.4 and 5.5 \$MM
- West Main Street sidewalk moving slowly

### Hermitage

- Inn opening Memorial Day Weekend
- Club opens June 17<sup>th</sup>
- Golf opens May 20<sup>th</sup>
- Brandon McGrail attended via skype

### Chamber

- Ski passes for the 2016/2017 season will contain new lower prices and include all Peak Resort mountains
- Sharon introduced Candy Reed, the chamber's newest employee
- Fireworks to be held on July 2, 2016 with a rain date of July 3, 2016
- Job Fair to be tentatively held by the end of the fiscal year

### Other Business

- New officers could not be chosen because the agenda item was not warned

On a motion by Randy Terk and seconded by Sharon Cunningham, meeting was adjourned at 9:08 AM