

Bi Town Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wilmington Town Offices
May 7, 2015

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Present: Ken Black, Sharon Cunningham, Gretchen Havreluk, Ryan Holton, Carolyn May, Scott Murphy, Laurie Newton, Pat Weisbrich, Jake White,

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Holton at 8:05 AM. The minutes of April 2, 2014 were approved by unanimous vote.

Topics Discussed

- Digital Marketing
 - Meetings have been held on an ad hoc basis
 - Details of the program to be defined and presented
 - Prepare a Powerpoint presentation for the June, 2015 Bi-Town meeting
 - Initial costs for the program have been \$25,000 - \$35,000 per year and per town with a 2 year commitment
- Trails
 - Waiting for trails to dry up from the winter
 - Valley trail to be mowed and maintained by each town for their respective sections.
 - Wet lands need assessment in Wilmington
 - Drafting a letter to April Hensel for possible Act 250 permit for sur-paving portions of trail
 - Valley Trail stickers popular
 - Ken Black to get price of stickers for Wilmington's consideration
 - Volunteers needed for back country rescue
 - Wilmington Fire Department has responded in the past
 - Jeff Nugent might be a possible candidate for rescue
 - Cannot use trails above 3,000 feet until after August 1st
 - Parts of Ridge Trail might be above this altitude
 - Identify who at Mount Snow and Haystack we are working with
 - A swamp exists on the Ridge Trail that may be problematic
 - No one at either Mount Snow or Hermitage have been contacted regarding the Ridge Trail up to this point, but will certainly be involved at the appropriate point.
- Increased Bandwidth

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- Ken Black to attend a conference during the week of May 11 regarding bandwidths of gigabits per second (Gbps)
- Future applications and gigabit discussion can be found from Pew Research at <http://www.pewinternet.org/2014/10/09/killer-apps-in-the-gigabit-age/>
- Obtain leasing information at conference
- Identify what plans other municipalities have for this level of service
- Update Bi-Town group at next meeting
- Customer Training
 - Gretchen is obtaining leads on who can train
- Town Updates
 - Wilmington
 - Two RFP's to hire engineers for sidewalk reconstruction
 - Summer banners being hung
 - Façade program continued for \$75,000
 - Business consultant hired for a 9 day period to help Wilmington businesses with problems relating to financial, marketing and customer service
 - Dover
 - Working with engineering company to beautify Dover Town Common
 - Sidewalks for Valley Trail, section "A" (Dorr Fitch Rd to Mount Snow Marketplace) will likely be constructed in the Spring, 2016 due to extensive Vtrans approval process
 - Construction grant in process for Valley Trail, section "A-", Need engineering for bridge across Deerfield River.
 - Scoping study underway for Valley Trail, section "B+" (Mountain Park Plaza to West Dover Post Office)
 - Mount Snow
 - West Lake ground breaking May 29, Governor Shulmin to attend
 - Tough Mudder event June 6 & 7, 2015
 - Hermitage Club
 - Facilities open Memorial Day Weekend
 - Concert series being prepared
 - Chamber of Commerce
 - Website launch today
 - Fiddleheads event, Memorial Day Weekend

The meeting was adjourned by Ryan Holton at 9:02.

Respectively submitted by Ken Black

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