# Squannacook Greenways, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes June 25, 2014

#### Attending:

Mark Cram, Peter Cunningham, Al Futterman, Ray Jackson, Don Klein, Steve Meehan, Bill Rideout, Joan Wotkowicz

#### Planning for response to MBTA Invitation to Bid.

Peter Cunningham relayed some of our questions/issues to Bob LaVita of Transit Realty (TRA) and learned that they will be addressed at pre-bid meeting. He also found out that we will get our \$2,500 bid deposit back.

Critical dates for the Invitation to Bid (ITB):

- July 11 Deadline for written questions
- July 16 Pre-bid conference 11:00 AM at TRA.
- July 30 Bids due
- Aug 6 Designation of successful bidder

Bill Rideout will set up a Google Docs to collect our written questions. We should add questions until July 8 and then Peter Cunningham will do a final edit before submitting.

Peter will ask if we may submit supporting documentation describing our plan and our qualifications. (Note: TRA responded by email that narrative describing the project will be helpful.)

A motion to authorize our president Steve Meehan to sign the ITB to TRA for the rail trail lease was seconded and passed unanimously.

We will meet at Bill's house to finalize our response on Saturday, July 19 at 3:00. We will send it registered mail.

A motion to authorize Bill Rideout to write a bank check for \$2,500 payable to MBTA to accompany the ITB was seconded and passed unanimously.

A motion to bid \$99 for the ITB was seconded and passed unanimously.

# **Recruitment for Board of Directors**

Bill asked Cedwyn Morgan.

Ray recommended Richard Muhlke. Peter Cunningham will ask him.

#### **Other business**

The present plan for the Kinder Morgan gas pipeline does cross our trail, near Sterilite (Mill St.).

Bill will meet Cedwyn Morgan at Worcester Road this Saturday, June 28 at 10:30 to tour the portions of the rail bed included in the lease but not covered in the previous engineering study.

Bill emailed a draft newsletter to the directors and asked for comments. The newsletter is based on our Earth Day flyer and will go out to our mailing list.

## **Review of legal and financial**

Bill will purchase directors insurance, which we approved at a previous meeting.

#### **Review of meeting minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes of our May 14, 2014 meeting was seconded and passed unanimously.

## **Next Meeting**

Squannacook Greenways will hold our next rail trail meeting on **Saturday July 19.** at 3:00 PM at Bill Rideout's residence, 88 South Harbor Road, Townsend.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Wotkowicz

Clerk

Squannacook Greenways, Inc.