

Camden Rockport Bicycle and Pedestrian Pathways Committee
Rockport Town Office, Minutes
April 3, 2013
7:05 pm

Present: Geoff Scott (minutes), Kathleen Bachus, Ken McKinley (Select Board Liaison), John Anders, Anita Brosius-Scott, Lynda Clancy, Robert Davis, Richard Stetson

- Mar minutes – header needs to be cleaned up – approved with edits
- New Agenda Items: April 21st, next meeting of a multi-town group to promote and build the bicycle culture. “Cycle Works” – created by local cycling enthusiasts – co-sponsored by independent schools. Check for press release. **Action** – **John** will forward info to committee.
- Dirt is once again encroaching on the hill section of the sidewalk along Russell Ave between Beauchamp and Calderwood. Also, nearby abutter’s hedge is once again encroaching on the sidewalk. **Action** – **Ken** will speak with Steve Beveridge about hedge.
- Gateway 1 – just voted to ask Friends of Midcoast Maine to be their sponsor. FMM will discuss this opportunity with their Board. Towns involved are Rockland, Damariscotta, Lincolnville, Newcastle, Rockport, Camden. Meeting revolved around discussions for what their next steps will be. Established a list of goals. Was mentioned that a bike path the length of Route I would be a great unifier. Goals: to plan educational outreach; including issues around low density development; towns bring their comp plans into line with these Gateway 1 goals. General input is that it’s important to carry forward with Gateway 1. Pathways fully supports.
- Kathleen – reported out on Riverwalk town meeting facilitated by TY Lin. Meeting was well organized by Brian Hodges, and the workgroup of around 17 towns folks that helped with outreach to bring in the 120 that attended. Very non-threatening meeting which began with an overview in the form of a PowerPoint presentation. Following about 10 groups spent 30 minute in break out groups addressing concerns, favorite parts of the river corridor, surface considerations, and other examples of interesting riverwalks. Groups then reported out to the entire group. Minutes will be posted on Town website. Next meeting, for Public Landing work, April 22nd. Ended up saying this was the best meeting they’ve ever facilitated.
- Group agreed to have a “Cup of coffee” with Martin Cates to discuss his perceptions of the town for purchasing property to benefit the creation of a riverwalk. **Action** – **Anita** will reach out to Martin, schedule 4-6 happy hour at Graffam’s – next week.
- Adjourned 8:30 pm