

# *Town of Scarborough, Maine*

## **Transportation Committee – Regular Meeting January 13, 2015 – TMCR, Town Hall**

### **Call to Order and Introductions**

Judy called the meeting to order at 6:30PM. The committee took attendance. Committee members Ron Mazer, Roger Chabot, Judy Roy, and Peter Hayes were in attendance.

Steve Berg, Jennifer Ladd, and Carol Rancourt were absent.

Town staff Dan Bacon, Jim Wendel and consultant Bill Bray were also in attendance.

### **Update on Railroad Crossing Quiet Zone Matter**

Jim updated the committee on the process for a quiet zone designation at the Winnocks Neck crossing. He indicated that the next step is to get authorization from the Town Council and then proceed with formal submission to the FRA (Federal Railroad Administration). The committee expressed support for seeking Council approval to continue to move this initiative forward.

### **Update on the Holmes Road / Payne Rd Intersection and Next Steps with CIP**

Dan reviewed the Holmes / Payne Rd intersection improvement project to add a new right turn lane on the Holmes Rd approach to Payne. He indicated that the survey was complete and the engineering is ready to be started this winter. The committee discussed the benefits of the project, including the improvements to the traffic signal timing that have already been made. Dan commented that this project will need Council approval as a CIP and that traffic impact fee monies are already in place to fund these improvements. The committee expressed support for proceeding with the engineering and a CIP submission in the coming budget.

### **Update on Eastern Trail Design and Construction**

Dan updated the committee on the status of the Eastern Trail project and indicated that agreements with landowners on the trail alignment for the northern half of the trail project from Wainwright Field to Pleasant Hill Rd are coming together. With these agreements the preferred trail alignment can be secured and final engineering can occur this spring, with construction possible next fall.

### **Additional Initiatives**

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The committee reviewed some additional efforts that they can work on over the next few meetings as many of their current projects are proceeding to construction. They discussed working further on a Crosswalk Policy and Process with the help of GPCOG staff. Dan suggested that GPCOG could also assist with generating a “Complete Streets” Policy as well. The committee also discussed what role they could play in an “Age-Friendly Community” effort the Town may be initiating.

Dan indicated that they could look at the Oak Hill improvement design at their next meeting before it is finalized for bidding.

The committee decided to meet again when the Oak Hill design is ready for review, which could be Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting concluded at 8:25 PM.