Londonderry Heritage/Historic District Commission Special Meeting

June 7, 2022 – 5:30 P.M. Londonderry Town Common Site Visit

MINUTES

- I. Vice Chairman Art Rugg called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. The following Commissioners were present: David Colglazier, John Mahon, Art Rugg, and Kristin Endyke. Absent: Sue Joudrey, Jim Butler, Chairman Krys Kenney, and Alternate Laura Schenkman. Staff Associate Planner: Laura Gandia.
- II. Dave Wholley, Director of Public Works and Municipal Facilities, led an on-site discussion of a proposed extension of the existing gravel trail about 100' to Mammoth Road. The primary purpose of this extension is public safety. The extension would allow larger vehicles, such as fire apparatus, to access the Kent Allen Forrest from Pillsbury Road and then exit onto Mammoth Road without turning around, a difficult if not impossible task. The proposed project would entail removal of several trees, some of which are dead, and several tree stumps, to create a graveled trail extension about 16' wide. The trail would run through the existing stone wall necessitating a rearrangement of some stones. The opening on to Mammoth Road would be chained with signage indicating that only emergency vehicles would be allowed access. The chain would be secured with a lock box to which the Fire Department and the DPW would have access. As part of this project, one other tree further up the existing path toward Pillsbury Road would also be removed to widen that section of the path for larger vehicles. The Commission decided to hold a Special Meeting on June 23, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the Moose Hill Conference Room to allow more members of the public to attend and participate in Dave Wholley's presentation. Dave advised that this might impact his original timeline of getting this project completed by Old Home Day but agreed that transparency was more important. The Commission discussed the need of obtaining a curb cut from NHDOT and the project timeline.
- III. Public Input: Members of the public, including Meredith Allen and several family members, and others who have been instrumental in the care and upkeep of the Forest, voiced their support for this project.

IV. Adjournment:

At 6:15 PM, J. Mahon made a motion to adjourn; D. Colglazier seconded. The motion passed, 4-0-0.

These meeting minutes were approved on July 26, 2022 by a vote of D. Colglazier and seconded by J. Mahon.