# OT PORTON

# TOWN OF NORTON

\_Alternative Transportation\_

(Committee)

### **MINUTES**

Date: 7/22/14 Time: 7PM

Location: Town Hall Break Room

Members & Staff Present:

Don Cybulski Linda Kollett Scott Holman Sandra Ollerhead

Karen Kenter

Guests:

Frances Shirley
Sherri Gurnon – Mansfield Director of Parks and Recreation
Beata Schmid

Members Not Present: Denny Goodrich, Kathy Ebert-Zawasky

**I**. The meeting was called to order at: 7:10PM

**II.** Minutes from the 6/18/14 meeting were reviewed and approved.

*Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:* 

### III. Old Business

### A. Bike Rack Update

Additional funds were available for more bike racks and two will be placed near the Yelle School playground. This is a total of 28 bike racks. They should arrive in a few weeks. They will be installed as soon as they come in. Sandy Ollerhead or Karen Kenter will show Keith Silver (Highway Superintendent) where they should be put.

### B. RFQ

Sandy has contacted Mike Yunits (Town Manager) who has sent a letter to Governor Patrick to ask for a release of funds for the project. After some discussion it was decided that the committee should send a letter to Governor Patrick supporting the request. Andrea Henry will draft the letter. It was also decided that the Rail Trail supporters group should be asked to send emails to the governor with copies to the legislators. Sandy will let Mike know that we are doing this. There will also be a Facebook update.

# C. Meeting with Equestrians

Sandy and Karen met with a group of equestrians on June 25, 2014. Everyone at the meeting was is favor of the plans. One suggestion was to leave the horse trail as grass. There was a question at the meeting about mowing.

Based on some comments at the equestrian meeting and personal observations of committee members, it was suggested that we develop an equestrian and bicycle rider program for the schools.

# IV. Open Session

( Name & Title)

Linda Kollett announced that the LPS Dahl land was now much more accessible for walking. There is also parking at the site. Some of this land may become a part of the Rail Trail.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM until the next meeting; date to be determined, at 7 PM at the Norton Town Hall Break Room. Linda Kollett, Secretary Minutes Approved by Committee on: (Date) Signatures: Chairman, \_\_\_ (committee)