

Town of Newington, NH
Bike Lane/Path Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 12th, 2020 Town Hall

Present: Selectman Mike Marconi, Derrick Willson, Bill Wright, Bruce Johnson, Laura Stone, Katie Hood, Samara Robertson, Michael Mazeau, Ken Ernstoff, EJ Hoyt Fire Chief and Martha Roy, Town Administrator.

M. Marconi stated that the Board of Selectmen have discussed the bike lane grant and the matching funds from the town of \$140,000.

M. Mazeau pointed out that if the Town doesn't apply now the Town would have to reapply in 2 years. The costs of the project could go up and be expensive. Connectivity is the key for the children in Newington. They need a safe route to school. The project could possibly go to the gate at Arboretum. We could apply for future grants to expand the safety lane to South Newington and Fox Point.

B. Johnson wondered what the effect \$140,000 would have on the tax rate. M. Mazeau said that it would be .14 per 1,000 if the \$140,000 is requested.

Discussion ensued about extending the project to the gate, the total cost of the project, an extension of the road not a sidewalk.

S. Robertson will put an article about the project on the Facebook page.

T. Karabinas and B. Wright sent emails to the Town Hall expressing their support.

M. Mazeau moved that the Committee ask for a budget amendment in the amount of \$140,000 at the 2020 Town Meeting for the 20% match of the \$700,000 grant for the Safety Corridor on Nimble Hill Road. K. Hood seconded the motion with all in favor.

M. Marconi moved to adjourn at 2:15pm, seconded by K. Ernstoff with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha Roy
Town Administrator