

Somersville Planning Committee

August 7th, 2008

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Members present were David Reed, Ann Levesque, Barry Monahan, and Bob Cafferelli. Also present was David Pinney, 1st Selectman, Somers.

The meeting began with correspondence from Tom Maziarz, CRCOG. A copy of his memo is attached.

As it has become clear that the project is to be accomplished in both a long and short term fashion, the members present then "brainstormed" some projects that could be accomplished in the short term along School Street. Projects mentioned as possibilities include:

- New fence around School Street Playground
- Gate and lock for bridge between playground and Mill Pond
- Paved Parking at Mill Pond
- Picnic Area at Mill Pond
- Gazebo at Mill Pond
- Hiking and Biking Trails along Mill Pond and Scantic River
- Boat Launch Area into Mill Pond
- Change intersection of Maple and School Streets into Round-A-Bout
- Install Street lighting along School Street
- Relocate Phone poles on North side of School Street to North Side of existing Sidewalk
- Reset curb-line on North Side of School Street
- Construct Green strip between sidewalk and North side of the street
- Move power lines underground along School Street
- Crosswalk at Church
- Construct "table" in street to calm traffic
- Change Quality Avenue from "L" shape to "U" shape providing Rte 190 access further down Main Street on Enfield side

We discussed whether we should bring these ideas to a public forum. David Pinney suggested waiting until we had a better idea of what could be accomplished in the second phase of the project, that being along Main Street.

Bob Cafferelli discussed some of the options he has identified regarding street lines along School Street. He announced that he could provide members with maps of the area on their request.

As there was not a quorum present, no action could be resolved at this time. Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for August 21 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
David Reed, Chairman

David Pinney

From: Tom Maziarz
[tmaziarz@crcog.org] Sent:
Monday, July 07,
2008 3:01 PM To:
selectman@somersct.gov

Cc: Tom Borden Subject: Somersville

Dave

The meeting with DOT went fairly well. They are open to discussion of the idea of using STP Urban funds and earmark funds for a project on Route 190. They will check with the DOT district office about the drainage issue. They will also check with Jack Carey of DOT Traffic (Jack is very familiar with Somersville) about the intersection issues. Once they've done that, they will develop some preliminary ideas about how to define the scope of the project.

I want to give them a couple of weeks to do their work, and then we can set up a town-DOT meeting.

Tom

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