

Acadia All American Road Corridor Management Committee

Date: Friday, February 21, 2014

Time: 10:00 AM – Noon

Location: Bar Harbor Town Office – Small Meeting Room – 2nd Floor



Attending:

Angela Chamberlain, Chris Fogg, Chris Vincente, Larry Johannesman, Gayle Leland, Peter Lazas, Susan Starr, Betsy Meister, Jim Fisher, John Kelly, Fred Michaud

Chris Fogg – Downtown Wayfinding Program

- Effort to put a sign for lower Main Street businesses on the Village Green – encouraging pedestrians to explore a bit further
- Decided to create a more comprehensive signage plan
- Contracted Gamble Design to develop the signage plan
- Created a scope of work for the signage
- Have about \$250,000 for the signage
- Hub of Bar Harbor will take over the program
- Design
 - o Welcome Sign / Gateway Sign – West Street and West Street Extension
 - o Eden Street to Mount Desert – Cottage Street
 - o Mount Desert Street – Mount Desert Street and Eden Street
 - o Lower Main Street -
- Display a concept booklet

Questions

- What is the town's role? Plan has to be approved by the town design review board
- Digital component? Not in this project, but should be transferable
- What interpretive elements are possible?
 - o Nature trails
 - o Museum in the Streets
 - o History of village
- Who leads
 - o Hub of Bar Harbor might lead
 - o Byway can delegate people to participate
 - o Larry would work on compliance issues with Federal funding guidelines

Implementation Concepts for two Byway Grants – Larry Johannesman

- Please look at: <http://acadiabyway.org/docs/AcadiaBywaySignageConcepts020414.pdf> - this document has illustrations of locations and signage opportunities.

Larry – we have to grants that need to move ahead.

- Welcome / Wayfinding
- Interpretation

- Process

- Committee works on design
- Byway Welcome Sign
 1. MUTDC Metal Sign
 2. Append sign to Trenton Welcome Sign
 3. Granite mounted sign
- Acadia Gateway Center Wayfinding Sign
 1. Park and Ride Location - Map with photo-themes – you are here
 2. Trenton Woods - kiosk exists
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- Trenton Airport and Sea Plane Ramp
 1. Airport
 2. Sea Plane Ramp
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- Head of the Island
 1. All agree that there should be a sign at the head of the island
 2. Graphic design needs to be worked out
 3. Wording is still an issue – Welcome to
- Blue Star Informational Turnout – Bar Harbor Route 3 past traffic light
 1. Potential for wayfinding information
- Bar Harbor Village or Agamont Park – wayfinding and interpretation
 1. Harborview Park
 2. Harbormasters Building (privately owned)
 3. Note – plans are underway to renovate this area

Matching Funds

- Trenton Budget Meeting – mid-March
 - Gateway Sign
 - Land across from the Bronze Lantern – information for pedestrians
 - Trenton Woods – Trail – see if Friends of Acadia
 - Airport - less likely

Review of Scenic Byway Opportunities – Fred Michaud/Larry Johannesman

- Possibility of extending byway into Mount Desert and SW Harbor
 - Extensions would be state scenic byways
 - Would require additional planning – e.g. HCPC using
- Alternative Funding Mechanisms
 - Byway program exists at FHWA in name, but has no separate funding
 - Private foundations and sponsorships
 - Federal land access - \$480,000
 1. Bike path from Hulls Cove
 2. Bluffs turnout
- Working with the State Office of Tourism
 - Can the Acadia Gateway Center provide regional information for all of downeast Maine

- Byway Coordination

Updates on project related to the byway

- Route 3 reconstruction / Context Sensitive Solutions – Fred Michaud
- Trenton Transportation Enhancement Program
 - o Sidewalks
 - o Scenic Turnout
- Acadia Gateway Center
- Acadia National Park Initiatives – John Kelly
- Chamber of Commerce Summer 2014 Plans / Events – Chris Fogg, Peter Lazas

You can see the funded project descriptions at: <http://acadiabyway.org/projects/GrantProposals.html>

ACTIONS

- Larry and Jim – Put together a proposal for the Trenton Budget Review Committee
- Jim – prepare an inventory of existing byway sign locations
- Hub of Bar Harbor - <http://hubofbarharbor.org/>

