

# ACADIA BYWAY CORRIDOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 11, 2010 9:30 AM

Acadia National Park Headquarters Eagle Lake Road

**Attending:** Anne Krieg, John Kelly, Stephanie Clement, Doug Michael, Fred Michaud, Larry Johannesman, Jim Fisher

## I. Update on Acadia Gateway Center

- Construction is on schedule.
- Rear building – foundation poured.
- Trenton connector trails committee meeting Wednesday night at 7:00 PM
- Will walk back there on Thursday morning – led by Terry Begley
- MaineDOT will begin using the [www.acadiagatewaycenter.com](http://www.acadiagatewaycenter.com)
- Discussion of MaineDOT Municipal Solicitation
  - What to do with Route 230?
- Highway simplification study
  - Impacts on the byway

## II. Route 3 Earmark Committee update

- a. Ron Beard will be the facilitator for the process
  - i. Contract is in for processing
  - ii. University of Maine is qualified
  - iii. Estimates and paper work were submitted last Thursday
  - iv. Ron will conduct first meeting - needs to schedule a meeting June – has contacted Bar Harbor Town Office
- b. Need to create a representative committee for the Context Sensitive Solutions Process
  - i. Have an application and interview process for committee selection
    1. Purpose – to identify who is being represented
    2. Establish purpose of the committee
  - ii. Want to have abutters, users, town government, byway committee, business community, ANP, Hulls Cove, Hotels, FOA, COA, DTI,
  - iii. Anne needs to know whether the town handles the invitations – Fred will work with Ron and be in touch
- c. Time line
  - i. Fact finding – summer

- ii. Consensus building – autumn
    - iii. Design – winter
  - d. MaineDOT CSS Staff
    - i. Fred Michaud, Project Manager
    - ii. Landscape Design
      - 1. Andy McDonald
      - 2. Larry Johannesman
      - 3. Kent Cooper
    - iii. Todd Pelletier
    - iv. Nancy Oldham – back office support

### III. Route 230 Intersection improvements

- a. FAA and MainDOT are working together (Thursday) to coordinate a new airport entrance with Route 230.
- b. There are about 12 poles in the runway. Would like to put these underground.
  - i. Cost 95% FAA and 5% local match
  - ii. Some roll-over entitlement funds are available – Stacy Haskell knows the amount
- c. Might use the current project as a right turn only road
- d. Advertise date – February, 2011
- e. Jim will check CMP and other documents for support

### IV. Other Projects in Bar Harbor/Trenton

- a. Putting utilities under the Thompson Island Bridge?
  - i. Check with Bangor Hydro about plans
  - ii.
- b. New cell tower in Trenton on Goose Cove Road

### V. Grant proposals

- a. Visitor way-finding - Ranked 5<sup>th</sup>
  - i. Is most likely to receive funding of the Acadia Proposals
  - ii. Will create gateway signage and visitor information
  - iii. Will support beautification along the corridor
- b. Air and Water Access Ranked 8<sup>th</sup>
  - i. Committee reviewed
  - ii. Would provide a visitor information at air terminal
  - iii. Would convert sea plan ramp into a visitor recreational access point
- c. Trenton Historical Museum Ranked 9<sup>th</sup>

- i. Would create a historical museum in Trenton using existing assets
- ii. Business plan is lacking – would need sufficient staffing

Rank	Proposal	Grant	Cumulative Total
1	Saint John Valley Planning	\$75,200	\$75,200
2	Schoodic Gordon's Wharf	\$241,800	\$317,000
3	Rangeley Implementation	\$25,000	\$342,000
4	Statewide Marketing	\$236,000	\$578,000
5	Acadia Way-finding	\$52,000	\$630,000
6	Prospect Harbor Village	\$269,200	\$899,200
7	Schoodic Implementation	\$25,000	\$924,200
8	Acadia Air and Water Access	\$133,750	\$1,057,950
9	Acadia Historical Museum	\$204,500	\$1,262,450

#### VI. Head of island

- a. Project will be wrapped up early next week
- b. Traffic light needs to be turned-on soon.

#### VII. Other Business

- a. Park Loop Road is closed from Jordan Pond to Cadillac
- b. Culvert replacement
- c. Repaving road and parking lots
- d. Most of the paving will be in the fall
- e. Loop road will open by the end of May – Memorial Day weekend
  
- f. Active living conference - Auburn – May 19, 2010
  - i. Healthy Acadia has funds to offset expenses of people attending (conference is free)
  
- g. Statewide Byway News
  - i. Fred discussed byways from the state perspective
  - ii. Downeast Byway – Milbridge / Cherryfield to Calais is under development
  - iii. St. Johns Valley is now a state byway – cultural focus
  - iv. Some byways are being combined
  - v. Statewide byway conference – tabled until the fall
  - vi. Would like to push for earlier grant preparation

vii. Might have a preliminary grant proposal in November

VIII. Comments and Suggestions for next agenda

- a. Need to update the corridor management plan – suggest dedicating a meeting to this end

IX. Meeting Date, Time and Place

Next Meeting June 1, 2010 at 1:00 PM  
Acadia National Park Headquarters