

**Jackson's Landing Committee**  
**Minutes of June 5, 2006**  
**4:30 – 6:00 p.m., Council Chambers, Town Hall**

**Present:**

Jerred Wright-Ward  
Judith Spang  
Robbi Woodburn  
Denny Byrne  
Neil Niman  
Nick Issak  
Pete Cathey  
Dwight Baldwin

The minutes of the May 22, 2006 meeting were approved as written.

Regarding the timetable for getting the report done, it was agreed that the draft of the report should be done by Monday, August 7th and that we would hold a public meeting on August 14th. These deadlines were established so that Council could discuss the report in an early September meeting (Sept 11th or 18th). Once Council gives their approval for the concepts we propose, then we will be ready to prepare the preproposal that we hope to submit to DES for the erosion control work that we believe will be due in early October.

A question was raised about the advisability of having trails on town land near the Emerson tomb and the construction of a boardwalk over the tidal wetland. It was generally agreed that a trail could be kept close to the shoreline so that people walking there would not negatively affect the private landowner adjoining the town property. It was also felt that a woodchip-lined pathway would attract people wanting peace and quiet and would perhaps make a nice tie into a path that could be developed on the other side of the road. It was also felt that the construction of a boardwalk over the tidal wetlands could be done well and not be a visible eyesore

Considerable discussion followed as to the format of the report that we would submit to Council. It was agreed that an ordering of the projects would be divided into not 2 but 3 rather phases.

**Phase I** These would include those projects which could be done with limited amounts of money and thus could be accomplished in a 1 two 2 year time frame.

1. New parking lot
2. Turning most of present parking lot down by the water into a grassy green park including installation of Geogrid areas
3. Implementation of erosion control measures
4. Improving the boat launching area
5. Implementing new signage for the Landing

**Phase II** These projects will cost more money and thus have a 3 to 5 year time frame for implementation.

1. Boardwalk/hiking trails
2. Skate board park
3. Upgrade to ice arena

**Phase III** This item will require considerable planning and financial resources and thus have a longer time horizon.

1. New boathouse construction at Jackson Landing or at the Arthur Grant Circle

There was a good discussion of the work of the Task Groups and who would be responsible for calling the groups into session. The following people volunteered.

**Engineering/Environment and Landscape/Site Planning** - Robbi Woodburn (Chair), Mike Lynch, Dwight Baldwin, Mike Sievert, Jared Wright-Ward

**Architectural Plans** - Jared Wright-Ward (Chair), Nick Issak, Rick Szilagyi, Mike Hoffman

**Boating Issues** - Pete Cathey (Chair), Marc Lessard, Laurie Potter

**Development of a Master Waterfront Plan for the Town** - John Parry (Chair), Nick Issak

It was agreed that each task group would meet independently but that we should go ahead and try and gather every other week to see how progress is being made. It was also agreed that a single sheet laying out what each task group is to accomplish would be an excellent idea. Also suggested was the idea that the time and date of meetings of each task group be distributed to all members of the Committee so that others who could join if they so wish.

Discussion followed on the nature of the material that would be in the report. I was mentioned that the report would outline in a general way the ideas/dreams that have been generated for each project including some very rough ideas of what it might cost and where the money might come from to get the work done. But we are not talking about more than 1 two 2 pages of description per project. It is anticipated that Council will be able to get an idea of what is contemplated from the report and will give the JLC its blessing to go on to the next step of writing proposals. These proposals, where necessary, would raise funds to do the detailed planning and acquire materials/labor to do the work.

The report might have the following format:

Introduction – What and why

Description of goals

Review of public input sessions – description of top ten ideas

Master plan drawing - Phase One through Phase Three

One to two page description of each of the projects in each phase

Lastly, we set June 19th as our next meeting time - same time, same place. The agenda would include a review of the revised master-plan drawings and discussion of progress of the subgroups. The subgroups could break out and continue their planning work.