

# The Greenway Committee

Monday, March 3, 2008

## Shepardson Community Center, Room 26

**Attendance:** Robert Desmarais                      James Pelletier  
Denise Swan    Sheila Powers  
Carole Cipriano                                        Michelle Wittko  
Betty Proulx    Ed Furs

**Absent:** Kristen Tiso

**Minutes:** Chairman Jim Pelletier called the meeting to order at 7:02. Denise Swan made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 4, 2008 meeting. Carole Cipriano seconded. The motion carried.

**Communications:** None

**Old Business:** The proposal to dedicate some sort of memorial to retired First Selectman Ed St. John was tabled as Kristen Tiso was absent.

There is nothing pending on any new memorial benches. Bob Desmarais reported that there are not a lot of sites left but we could perhaps add a half dozen more.

Bob, Betty Proulx and Dan Norton will look at the drainage problems near Avalon Farms and Tranquility Road.

The bridge project may not be “do-able” There are DEP issues and there is not enough money.

**New Business:** In lieu of an April meeting the committee may join in the town project of a general cleanup. The committee may take a section of the Greenway and spend an hour or so on a Saturday morning. Jim will contact the Beautification Committee and get back to our members. If not, our next meeting will be on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Comment:** Two Middlebury residents spoke of the dangers concerning people who own property and live along the Greenway, especially along Route 64. Ann Lewicki of 961 Middlebury Road and Roz Teleposky of 1075 Middlebury Road addressed the committee. Both ladies mentioned that the residents are very concerned with the safety of the walkers, runners and cyclists who cross their driveways. The residents usually stop twice to check both ways but many who live there have experienced many incidences. There have been cyclists and runners who have run into resident’s cars. A Fed Ex driver once came close to hitting a jogger. Many people use the Greenway early in the morning before sun up and wear dark clothing without reflective markers.

The ladies wanted to be sure the Greenway Committee was aware of this problem and to look into what could possibly be done to educate those who use the Greenway.

**Motion to Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn was made by Sheila Powers and seconded by Carole Cipriano. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:28.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ed Furs  
Secretary