



City of Northfield

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Meeting Minutes - Draft Planning Commission

Thursday, March 16, 2017

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

Rollcall

Present 6 - Joe Gasior, Richard Schulte, Russell Halverson, Jay Jasnoch, Michael Skunes, and Kate Stuart

Absent 1 - William Schroeer

I. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

Chair Gasior called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Also present: City Planner Scott Tempel, City Council Member David DeLong, Administrative Assistant Mikayla Fischer, Mayor Rhonda Pownell, Peggy Prowe, and 9 other citizens. The Planning Commission youth representatives Henry Hofstad and Paul Wehling were both absent.

A motion was made by Schulte, seconded by Halverson, to approve the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Gasior, Schulte, Halverson, Jasnoch, Skunes, and Stuart

II. Approval of Minutes

1. [17-714](#) 01-19-2017 Draft Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [01-19-17 Draft PC Meeting Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Skunes, seconded by Jasnoch, to approve the 01-19-2017 PC minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Gasior, Schulte, Halverson, Jasnoch, Skunes, and Stuart

III. New Business

2. [17-715](#) Presentation and Discussion on Mill Towns Trail

Attachments: [1 - Mill Town Trail History, Planning & Vision](#)
[2 - MTST Northfield Alignment Concept Overview](#)
[3 - MTST Northfield Concept Nov 2015](#)
[4 - Original Downtown Route](#)
[5 - Northfield Comprehensive Plan - Parks, Open Space & Trail Map](#)

Chair Gasior introduced the Mill Towns Trail item and opened the floor to Peggy Prowe to speak.

Peggy Prowe - 619 East 9th Street - asked the Commissioners to consider an amendment to include the Mill Towns Trail in the Comprehensive Plan. Prowe described the route, which would be off road per the DNR requirements for funding. Ms. Prowe answered questions posed by the planning commissioners on right of way, timeline, and acquisition funds.

Tempel answered questions posed by the commissioners and they discussed route options, cost effectiveness, and safety.

IV. Reports and Discussion Items

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

A motion was made by Skunes, seconded by Jasnoch, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Gasior, Schulte, Halverson, Jasnoch, Skunes, and Stuart