



**NH 111 Corridor & Wall Street Extension Feasibility Study
Project Advisory Meeting
Windham Planning & Development Office
Minutes**

February 17, 2011

Members Present: Bob Ashburn; Bruce Breton; Gerry Lewis; Bob Ashburn and William Rose.

Project Staff Present: Gene McCarthy (McFarland-Johnson); David Walker and Roxanne Rines (RPC).

Meeting Opened at 9:10 a.m.

1. Meeting Opened/Communications/Public Comment

None.

2. PAC Meeting #14 Summary (1-06-11)

Not discussed.

3. Report on Outcome of Local Officials Meeting

McCarthy stated there was a question about how the traffic volumes in Malta compares to 111. The volumes in New York are very similar to the volumes in Windham, he then reviewed specific roadways and traffic numbers. The roundabouts in Malta decreased travel time from 6 minutes to 2 minutes. Every location is different but there are decreased travel times when roundabouts are built.

4. Report on initial discussions with NHDOT regarding Wall Street/NH 111 alternative intersection design with roundabout

McCarthy stated DOT is concerned about building a roundabout at Wall Street, not because it won't work, but traffic after the roundabout will continue to be backed up because of the existing intersections. Discussion ensued about the current backups on Wall Street that occur during the pm peak hours.

He showed members the current I-93 configuration for Wall Street. **McCarthy** stated a roundabout should not be built at Wall Street at this time if the remaining intersections can not be built at the same time. People will have the perception that roundabouts don't work. **Lewis** stated he agrees that at this time Wall Street should be an upgraded intersection until all the roundabouts can be built at the same time.



Members discussed future development projects that will impact Wall Street and how to handle road improvements that the developers will be responsible for. Discussion ensued about taking of land to accommodate the future roundabouts.

5. Update on work by Project for Public Spaces (PPS) on project design elements

McCarthy presented a slideshow from PPS about how to make Windham pedestrian friendly; how future mixed use development could fit into a village center; creating a local road behind the Village Green; and the need for sewer and water. Discussion ensued about what should be shown at the public meeting.

6. Preparation for Public Information Local Officials Meeting

- A. Agenda; Notices
- B. Review of Presentation & Info Packet

McCarthy stated he will email members the PPS presentation and ask them if they would like it to be presented at the public meeting. **Rose** asked what the committee is looking to accomplish at the public meeting? **McCarthy** stated the board of selectmen endorsed the alternative presented at their meeting for presentation at the public meeting.

McCarthy reviewed what he and Sinnott will present at the meeting and the agenda: 1- give project history and presentation; 2- public comments and questions; 3- show the alternatives PPS created; 4- give draft cost estimates; and 5- further comments and questions.

Discussion ensued about how to include the study on the states 10-year plan. **McCarthy** gave a draft estimate of how much the study would cost to be implemented.

The rest of the agenda was deferred to the next meeting.

7. Discussion of Short Term/Long Term recommendations

8. Other Business

- a. Project schedule and remaining milestones
- b. Next Meeting
- c. Other

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Rines, Recording Secretary.