

VOL Greenway Committee

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, 03/28/2024 (via Zoom)

Attendees: Ronny Hardaway, Carolyn Greenwald, and Larry Bieri

The meeting was called to order at 1:31 PM.

- Update of Village Trails Google Map
 - Bieri had entered new information into a Greenway Google Map and it is now available on website.
 - Hardaway imported the updated information into the existing online VOL Greenway map that is available on the Village website.
 - Current sidewalks are now on the map – public sidewalks are green and private sidewalks are orange.
 - Future walkways are also shown.
 - The task force reviewed the online map and its layers that can be toggled on and off for display.
 - Attendees discussed a potential Cayuga Heights Road sidewalk and how it might be proposed, funded, and implemented.
 - Hardaway gave a short introduction to the Village's participation in the Tompkins County Joint Safety Action Plan and the federal SS4A project.

- Update on Sidewalk Policy and associated capital plan
 - Greenwald suggested that the sidewalk plan group small sidewalk projects for future installation.
 - The task force discussed the in-draft Village Sidewalk Policy.
 - Hardaway suggested that the future sidewalk list be prioritized for the Village capital plan and budget discussions.

- Status of Tompkins County beautification grant
 - Greenwald discussed the planned Dutch bulb planting using Professor Miller's bulb-planting machine.
 - The task force discussed and calculated how many bulbs the Village would have to purchase for the beautification project.

- Greenwald will call Prof. Miller about ordering the bulbs and will get details on where the bulb-planting machine can be used.
- The task force used the Village Google Map and its linear measurement tool to plan possible planting sites at the local parks. The calculated plantings length is approximately 600 linear feet.

- Other topics
 - Greenwald discussed updating the Village Comprehensive Plan, and she asked if Bieri and Leopold would update the Greenway section.
 - Bieri agreed to help.
 - Greenwald reported that she had a list of Village residents who were interested in helping with the Comprehensive Plan update.
 - Greenwald is planning to create surveys for public input into the plan's update.
 - Hardaway suggested a separate survey for Village businesses.

The meeting adjourned at 2:16 PM.