

**Town of Exeter
Swasey Parkway Trustees Meeting
Nowak Room
April 16, 2025
5:00 PM
Draft Minutes**

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Staples called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM and introduced the members who were present

2. Introductions:

Present were: Chair Dwane Staples, Vice-Chair Darius Thompson and Dave Short

Others Present:

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment, outside of agenda items.

4. Approval of Minutes

March 19, 2025 Public Meeting Minutes

Chair Staples recommended edits to line 92.

Mr. Thompson motioned to approve the March 19, 2025 minutes, as amended. Mr. Short seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously 3-0-0.

5. Coastal Resiliency Meaningful Engagement Training

Chair Staples noted that he, Kristen Murphy, and Steve Cronin from Public Works attended. They covered topics like how to run a meeting. They would like a representative appointed to attend. Chair Staples noted he could attend and Mr. Thompson noted he could attend if Chair Staples was unable.

Mr. Short motioned to appoint Chair Staples as the representative to Coastal Resiliency. Mr. Thompson seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed 3-0-0.

Mr. Thompson asked the cadence of the meetings and Chair Staples noted they are looking for public input and will be picking a contractor, although they didn't touch on that a lot. They did

some exercises on who uses the Parkway and he can send the information out to the Trustees on that.

6. Update on Turn Around and Input received from public

Chair Staples asked if anyone had received feedback concerning the new turnaround. He noted that after it rained heavily the area where the handicapped parking is collected water and is ponding up. He went out this week and observed that there are a lot of people using the Parkway.

7. Tree & Shrub Pruning

Chair Staples noted the tree company did some pruning. Mr. Short noted the birch trees by the community housing are breaking apart.

Mr. Short noted that the Winterthur viburnums came in.

Mr. Short will reach out to the Tree Committee concerning replacement of the two trees near the pavilion.

8. Lock Box

Chair Staples reported that he got the lock box code to Jonathan and expects he will be out the third week of April to do cleanup.

9. Other Business

Mark Damsell reported that there is graffiti on the block building and it was reported to Det. Paige. Mr. Damsell will get a gallon of paint. Mr. Thompson will pick it up from Mark. Chair Staples recommended getting graffiti remover as well.

Mr. Thompson noted that he just retired and is available to help out more.

10. Next Meeting Date: May 21, 2025

11. Adjourn

Mr. Thompson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:16 PM. Mr. Short seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Hoijer
Recording Secretary
(via *ExeterTv.com*)