



Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail, Inc. Steering Committee Meeting

December 5, 2023

1:30 – 3:00 PM

Location: Zoom

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A meeting of the Hudson Highlands Fjord Trail, Inc. Steering Committee took place on Tuesday, December 5, 2023.

Steering Committee Members Present: Dr. George Jackman, Riverkeeper; Chris Winward, Village of Nelsonville; Hank Osborn, NYNJTC; John Van Tassel, Town of Philipstown; Michael McKee, Town of Philipstown Greenway Committee; Robyn Hollander, Emily Lynn Provonsha, Metro-North RR; Nancy Montgomery, Putnam County; Heather Gierloff, DEC; Emily Pereira, DEP; and Katrina Shindledecker, Hudson Highlands Land Trust.

Steering Committee Members Not Present: Andy Chmar, HHFT Board; Kathleen Foley, Village of Cold Spring; Melissa Cascini, NYNJTC; Ozzy Albra, Town of Fishkill; Matt Davidson, Linda Cooper, Evan Thompson, and Nancy Stoner, OPRHP; Lee Kyriacou, City of Beacon; Kyle Buser, Lance MacMillan, DOT; Kathy Moser, OSI; Daniel Michaud, DEP; Brian Grahn, Little Stony Point Citizens Association.

Staff Present: Amy Kacala, MJ Martin, Diana DiMuro, HHFT

Guests Present: Faye Premer, Liz Brouhard, and Chelsea Anderson, About the Work; Brad Howe, and Gena Wirth, SCAPE; Chi Chi Truong, Sherazad Mehta, and Eric Brunning, ARUP; Andy Buder and Gerald Charleston, Metro-North RR; Lisa Weis, NYDOT; Eliza Starbuck, Village of Cold Spring.

HHFT Executive Director Amy Kacala called the meeting to order at 1:33 PM and welcomed everyone, introducing design consultants from SCAPE and ARUP.

Draft Shoreline Trail Design Presentation

Presented By: Brad Howe, SCAPE

Brad Howe led a review of the Draft Shoreline Trail Design Presentation to the HHFT Steering Committee and guests. Following the presentation, the Committee gave initial reactions and feedback, and asked questions of the SCAPE and ARUP consultants and HHFT staff.

Amy Kacala alerted the Committee to two planned public workshops to be scheduled in early 2024. Amy welcomed any new Committee members to a future “Fjord Trail 101” session to be briefed on the entire project.

The meeting adjourned at 2:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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