

FALLS BRIDGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
05/03/18

In Attendance:

Bridge Advisory Committee (BAC) Members: Facilitator Jim Schatz,
Mike Astbury, Deborah Brewster, John Chapman, Lynne Clark,
Vaughn Leach, Stephen Rappaport, Lori Sitzabee, Karen Wyatt

Department of Transportation (MDOT): Andy Lathe, Wayne Frankhauser,
Maria Drozd, Michael Wight

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA): Eva Birk

HNTB: Kevin Brayley, Tim Cote

Public: Greg Bush, Chris Guinness, Steve Wright

Public Comments from Blue Hill Site Link & Email

- 1 Public Comment Received (04/11/18-05/03/18) from Scott Miller re: suggestions as to how to organize the matrices and conduct an analysis.

Design Matrix

- BAC populated Draft Alternatives Matrix for Rehabilitation (with or without a sidewalk), Replacement and Alternate Alignment concerning aesthetics, community impacts and community interest.
- Jim suggested narrowing the items down, but Andy said the State needs to follow the Federal process under the National Environmental Policy Act and will not be able to remove options under consideration at this time.
- Concerning Alternate Alignment, the Town would inherit the bridge and could delay the process. Road Commissioner to be consulted. One attendee requested a date be given on when a decision on the alternate alignment would be made. Andy said that it will be later this summer or fall before a preferred alternative will be selected.
- Karen asked that Tourism and Business Concerns be added to the Matrix.

Informational Public Meeting – July/August

- Identify options being considered in the Alternatives Matrix
- Review evaluation criteria & assessments made within the Alternative Matrix
- Receive public comment

BAC Meeting to review public comments received – August/September

Formal Public Meeting – TBD

Next Bridge Advisory Committee Meeting: 06/05/18 at 6pm

Adjourned at 8:06pm