

## MINUTES

Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

**This meeting was conducted via Zoom.**

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### Welcome/Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Chair Charley LaFlamme at 10:00 a.m.

Members present: Charley LaFlamme, John Cavaretta, Ramsey Lafayette, Priscilla Botsford, Bruce Byorkman

Members absent: Jennifer Walker

Others present: Sgt. Tom Orlando, Tom Torno

Charley announced that he had received Bob McBreen's resignation from the committee. Charley thanked Bob for his service to the committee and always being a vocal advocate for pedestrians, and the eyes on the street based on Bob's extensive walking around town.

### Approval of Minutes

MOTION to approve the December 15, 2021 meeting minutes as submitted. Motion by John, seconded by Priscilla. Motion passed unanimously 5-0-0.

### Unfinished Business

1. Berwick Road Pedestrian Usage -- Tom Torno
  - Charley expressed thanks to Tom Torno for work to build up shoulder on Berwick Road west of South Street.
  - Discussed with Tom if a sidewalk can be installed permanently.
  - Tom was agreeable to a permanent sidewalk. Some concern about trees that may need to be cut to allow sidewalk and drains that would need to be cut into the sidewalk.
  - After further discussion the committee and Tom decided that a paved 4 foot shoulder instead of a sidewalk would be better as it would allow for both pedestrians and bicycle users.
  - Tom also talked about the sidewalk on Israel Head Road being replaced after the sewer line (under the sidewalk) is replaced later this year, and plan to build a sidewalk on Stearns Road.

2. MDOT Planning Partnership Initiative (PPI)
  - The \$25k item to participate in a PPI was rejected by the Select Board and Budget Review Committee on January 18, 2022 and will not be placed on the warrant for the June Town Meeting ballot.
  - Discussion centered around the need to do a better job campaigning for the request and to potentially partner with other committees in town (e.g. Planning Board, Sustainability) to be more successful.
3. New RRFB on Main Street at Panache
  - MaineDOT does not currently have any of the units in stock and are uncertain when the contract might be fulfilled due to supply chain issues. At this point we don't anticipate having the RRFBs until sometime next spring. We are slated for two sets for installation on Main Street crosswalks at both ends of Glen Ave.
  - John will contact Rhonda and Doreen at Panache to give a heads-up on the planned RRFB installation near their shop.
4. Crosswalks that don't meet MDOT Guidelines:
  - Town Manager to investigate what can be done at those crosswalks as a stop gap measure to keep delivery vehicles from blocking or blocking visibility to those crosswalks.
5. League of American Bicyclists National Bike Summit - March 27-30, 2022 Hybrid Event
  - \$160 early-bird registration fee by January 31, 2022
  - Town Manager indicated that we have \$1,500 in budget that could be used.
  - Bruce will send out email asking for information needed to complete the registration process.
6. LED Lighting
  - Installation of LED streetlights on Main Street should be completed by April 2022.
  - Contract awarded to Real Term Energy and work is ready to begin.
  - Town Manager sent crosswalk listed below to Real Energy for evaluation:
    - Captain Thomas Road
    - Gazebo Inn, 571 Main Street
    - The Milestone, 687 Main Street
7. Concern about vehicles parking on crosswalks or blocking sidewalk.
  - General consensus that the situation was much better now.
  - The police have asked for people to call in if they see it happening.

## New Business

1. Ramsey asked if anything can be done to add a bike lane on Shore Road. Charley talked about the work that had been done to add signage about sharing the road as there is not enough physical space to add a bike lane on the Ogunquit section of Shore Road. Charley indicated that the Ogunquit/York town line is just south of the Ogunquit Museum of American Art and the narrow, windy sections of Shore Road are in York/Cape Neddick. John will contact the chairs of the York and Kittery

Bike/Ped Committees to see how we could work together to make Shore Road and other coastline routes safer for bicyclists.

2. Meeting with Town Manager 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  - 3/16/22
  - 6/15/22
3. Next meeting date: February 16, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

**Public Comment**

- No members of the public provided comment.

**Adjournment**

- MOTION To adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Motion by John, seconded by Priscilla.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce Byorkman  
Secretary