

MINUTES

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

This meeting was conducted via Zoom.

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, Jennifer Walker, Bruce Byorkman

Members absent: Priscilla Botsford

Approval of Minutes

MOTION to approve the January 19, 2022 meeting minutes as submitted. Motion by John, seconded by Bruce. Motion passed unanimously 5-0-0.

Unfinished Business

1. Shoreline Bicycle Routes

- How can we work to work to make Shore Road and other coastline routes safer for bicyclists. Concern raised by Ramsey at January meeting.
- John contacted Dave McCarthy, Chair of York Bike-Ped Committee. Dave is not in favor of widening Shore Road as he is concerned that it would allow traffic to move faster making it less safe. He is willing to meet with us and have the two committees meet together to discuss further. Charley to call Dave to schedule joint meeting.
- John will reach out to Kittery contacts:
Seacoast Area Bicycle Riders (SABR) - Steve Gerhartz, owner of electric bike shop on Route 1 North in Hampton, NH 603-294-0370 and Karen Saltus President of SABR 207-703-5323.

2. MDOT Planning Partnership Initiative (PPI)

- Next steps after being rejected by the Select Board and Budget Review Committee.
- Need to identify problems to be solved by having a PPI.
- Bruce to check with Maine DOT District Engineer on what an engineering study would cost (something less than \$25k?).
- Charley to check with other committee chairs to determine interest in partnering on the initiative to complete a PPI.
- John to check with Jason Corbin on Parks and Recreation partnering on a PPI.

3. 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. Check-in with Town Manager at meeting in March.
4. League of American Bicyclists National Bike Summit - March 27-30, 2022 Hybrid Event
 - Charley and Bruce registered to attend. Jennifer will look into registering.
5. New RRFB on Main Street at Panache -- Tracking
 - 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 to contact Tom Torno on status.
6. Berwick Road Pedestrian Usage -- Tracking
 - The committee and Tom Torno had decided that a paved 4 foot shoulder instead of a sidewalk would be better as it would allow for both pedestrians and bicycle users. Project expected to be completed in fall 2022.
7. LED Lighting - Tracking
 - Installation of LED streetlights on Main Street should be completed by April 2022. John to check on status with Tom Torno.
 - Town Manager sent Real Term Energy crosswalks listed below where we have identified crosswalk lighting issues:
 - Captain Thomas Road
 - Gazebo Inn, 571 Main Street
 - The Milestone, 687 Main Street

New Business

1. Ramsey mentioned that the Chamber of Commerce is considering a Wellness Weekend as a spring kick-off the last weekend of April and that the committee may want to participate. Committee members spoke positive about participating. Ramsey will keep us informed as plans develop further.
2. Meeting with Town Manager 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 - 3/16/22
 - 6/15/22
3. Next meeting date: March 16, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Public Comment

- No members of the public requested to speak.

Adjournment

- MOTION To adjourn at 10:50 a.m. Motion by John, seconded by Jennifer. Motion passed unanimously 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Byorkman
Secretary