

## MINUTES

Wednesday, March 16, 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, Jennifer Walker, Priscilla Botsford, Bruce Byorkman

Members absent: Ramsey Lafayette

Others Present: Chief Patricia Arnaudin, David McCarthy

Charley indicated that Paul Jean is joining the committee as a full member.

### Approval of Minutes

MOTION to approve the February 16, 2022 meeting minutes as submitted. Motion by John, seconded by Bruce. Motion passed unanimously 4-0-0.

### Unfinished Business

#### 1. Safety on Shoreline Bicycle Routes

- David McCarthy, Chair of York Bike-Ped Committee joined the meeting.
- David spoke of the dilemma of making changes to Shore Road that may lead to higher speeds, making it less safe for bicylists. Recognizes that sightlines are a challenge with all of the knolls and curves, but it would be very expensive to do anything and that it is not in the MaineDOT 3-year plan. David spoke about participating in the Maine DOT Active Transportation Plan to be published in January 2023 and encouraged participation in the MaineDOT Public Involvement Message Area for public input.
- Additionally spoke about continuing to improve Route 1 for active transportation.

#### 2. Wellness Weekend -- Ramsey

Notes from Ramsey's e-mail message:

- Chamber Wellness weekend is moving forward along with the Aids Walk the weekend of May 6.
- Ramsey is aiming to organize an informal meet up/open ride with some suggested routes and distances starting and finishing at the main beach area (Portsmouth and back, Arundal and back, Wells Harbor and back,

Nubble/Long sands and back, Mt A and back) on the same day on May 6, weather pending.

- Ramsey is also hoping to organize an open schedule (anytime during that week) 10-15 mile QR code Scavenger Hunt for kids under 16 with a \$1,000 prize to be randomly selected from the finishers that can be used for sports/summer camp tuition, outward bound/noles program tuition, or college tuition. This concept is still in development, but think would be a fun thing to bring to life to get kids (and parents) outside.
  - Still working out the details. Any thoughts or ideas are welcome on both fronts!
  - John will speak to Jason Corbin from Parks and Recreation Committee about the initiative.
3. MDOT Planning Partnership Initiative (PPI)/Village Partnership Initiative (VPI)
- Will discuss with Town Manager next steps.
  - Town Manager suggested that we could use American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to fund the town's portion of a Village Partnership Initiative. Committee members should attend next week's forum and make recommendation for using ARPA funds for VPI. Use of ARPA funds would need to be approved in June Warrant.
  - Bruce will send around message from Patrick Adams on what such an initiative could cost.
  - John to check with Jason Corbin from Parks and Recreation on partnering on the PPI.
4. Crosswalks that don't meet MDOT Guidelines:
- Check-in with Town Manager at March meeting.
5. League of American Bicyclists National Bike Summit - March 27-30, 2022 Hybrid Event
- Charley, Bruce, and Jennifer are registered to attend.
6. 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.
  - Waiting for updated status from Tom Torno.
7. 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.
8. LED Lighting - Tracking
- Installation of LED streetlights on Main Street should be completed by April 2022. John waiting on status from 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. Proposed New Town Position: Culture and Recreation Director
  - Discussed Culture and Recreation Director position being proposed.
  - <https://town-ogunquit-me-budget-book.cleargov.com/fy23-budget-book/2023/departments/visitor-services>
2. Meeting with Town Manager 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  - 3/16/22 – Determined Agenda
  - 6/15/22
3. Next meeting date: April 20, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

#### Public Comment

- No member of the public offered comments.

#### Adjournment

- MOTION To adjourn at 11:10 a.m. Motion by John, seconded by Priscilla. Motion passed unanimously 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce Byorkman  
Secretary