

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Committee Notes

Date:	6/23/2011
Meeting start:	7:40 p.m.

In attendance:			
John Craine	Nora Loughnane	Steve Olanoff	George Lester
Virginia Lester	Suzanne Becker	Wendy Muellers	Steve Harte

Routine Business

Minutes from May were approved

Updates from Previous Meeting

1. MAPC Program update- John Craine will distribute a spreadsheet detailing the location of all bike racks purchased through the MAPC program in 2009.
2. Wendy Muellers and Steve Olanoff will meet with Ken Aries to discuss bike racks. This meeting will determine how many bike racks we will apply for. Steve and Wendy will submit the application.
3. Wendy Muellers will continue to research pricing of the emotive traffic signage located around the Hanlon School. She is investigating costs of other types of signage as well.

New Business

Dedham Sustainability Committee

Steve MacAusland from the Dedham Sustainability Committee attended our meeting to learn about our efforts and speak about the efforts of his committee. He is interested in working with us to explore joint efforts, possibly with other towns, on bicycle issues.

WestCAT

Steve Harte met with Adam Long, Executive Director of WestCAT. Adam is interested in working with our committee to create some Public Service Announcements- these could be in the form of text or video on the bulletin board portion of WestCAT's channel.

After talking with Adam further, we came to the conclusion that our committee's work would be perfect for an extended show. This would encompass about a day of taping.

- introduction of committee
- description of our committee and its work
- accomplishments of our committee
- bring awareness to issues

Possible ideas for topics to explore on the show:

- Traffic signs at Hanlon
- School walking zones
- Installation of bike racks
- Crosstown recreation path
- Walk to School Wednesdays

Members were receptive to the idea of a show, perhaps starting with a 10 or 15-minute show that would introduce our committee and raise awareness of some of our work.

Resident Concerns

Virginia received a phone call from a resident expressing concern about the safety of Fox Hill Street and Farm Lane. Because the concerns dealt with issues outside of our charge, it was agreed that Nora would share the concerns with Vicki Quiram.

Virginia Lester shared a conversation with a neighbor about the condition of the sidewalk on Sumac Drive.

Washington Street Crosswalk Project

Steve Olanoff will speak to Vicki Quiram about the possibility of having Chris Gallagher draw up plans for the Washington Street crosswalk project.

Crosswalk Inventory

Wendy hopes to inventory all crosswalks with the light meter by the end of August. She has a list of all crosswalks. Virginia and George Lester, Suzanne Becker and Steve Harte all indicated that they are available to assist Wendy in this project.

Conant Road area Traffic Calming

Steve Olanoff shared that a meeting had been held recently about traffic calming measures in the Conant Road area. It would be helpful to have representation from our committee at future meetings. Nora Loughnane will ask Vicki Quiram to notify us when they are meeting again.

Crosswalk Painting

Wendy brought up the issue of crosswalk painting. They will be painted after the paving projects are completed. This will most likely fall during October or November.

Action Needed for Next Meeting

1. John Craine will distribute a spreadsheet detailing the type and location of bike racks purchased through the MAPC program in 2009.
2. Wendy Muellers and Steve Olanoff will meet with Ken Aries to discuss bike racks. This meeting will determine how many bike racks we will apply for. Steve and Wendy will submit the application.
3. Wendy Muellers will investigate the cost of signs for bicycle awareness. She will explore the possibility of applying for a WEF mini-grant and including the high school graphic arts program.
4. Nora Loughnane will share the resident concerns that Virginia received with Vicki Quiram.
5. Nora Loughnane will contact Vicki Quiram to ensure that Steve Harte is notified about future traffic calming meetings. Steve Harte will send notice about these meetings to the Ped Bike email group.
6. Steve Olanoff will speak to Vicki Quiram about the possibility of having Chris Gallagher draw up plans for the Washington Street crosswalk project.
7. Steve Harte will contact Adam Long to let him know that our committee is interested in moving forward with plans for a show.

For next meeting

1. Review action items from last meeting
2. Election of officers for our FY2012 term.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Next meeting will be the the 28rd of July at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Harte