

Minutes
Bikeway Committee
Thursday, June 27, 2013

Attendance: Kenneth Pottel, Rene Fleurent, Bob Espindola, Mark Badwey, Susan Sullivan, Geoff Sullivan

1. Minutes of May 23, 2013 Committee Meeting was approved.
2. New officers were elected for the coming year:
Chair: Kenneth Pottel
Co-Vice Chair: Susan Sullivan, Geoff Sullivan
Secretary: Mat Coes
3. Safe Routes to School Program was discussed. Mat & Ken had a good meeting with the Wood School Principal who is very much behind the project. Discussion about helping the kids ride to school on the 1st day and then set up a sustainable system that maybe the parents can take over. Need to address the crossing guard issues. Get the media involved for promotion. Would like to raise money for odometers for kids or use some sort of grant money. Great way for kids to get involved.
4. DPW: Ken is going to check with Vinny as to the status of the painting of crosswalks, signs, etc., on Sconticut Neck Rd.
5. DOT: Making Safe Routes to School. Need 2 people from school to volunteer to help partner for this event. Paperwork due by September. Ken will look into this.
6. Summer rides in Fairhaven. Geoff Sullivan has created some bike routes which he will email to Bob who will get them put on the website since Bill Roth is on vacation. Discussion about leading a ride every Thursday night at 6pm which will coincide with the Summer Concerts downtown that start at 7pm. Need to advertise. Rides to start July 11.
7. Bob Espindola brought up the subject of buying t-shirts for the committee (everyone buy their own). This would be good PR. Everyone agreed. Bob priced out shirts at Superior Logos: Setup fee = \$65 50/50 cotton = \$9.25 Tech style = \$11.25 each. Susan will research other prices.
8. United Way Grant: \$1000 awarded to the combined Southcoast Bikeway. SCB is meeting on July 10th to decide how and what to spend money on. Spend by single region or by groups of regions. The committee agreed the region alternative would be preferred for Fairhaven and submit requests and receipts to the committee on a need basis.
9. Sustainability Grant for \$250: Bob Espindola moved to submit receipt for brochure printing to reimburse Susan Sullivan. All in favor.
10. Discussion of connecting the bike path down to the New Bedford bridge. Ken remarked the police and the BPW were in favor of changing Main and Middle streets to one-way. Need to follow-up on this and get Bill Roth involved as well.
11. Homecoming Fair: Ken will set-up bring sign up sheets for people interested in committee and rides. Geoff will do a map display. Bob moved to have a banner printed price not to exceed \$80 from the Sustainability Grant money. All in favor. Geoff and Susan will follow this up at

Staples. They are hoping to get it in time for the fair.

12. Mark Badwey suggested bringing the parents and possibility the kids of a group that bikes to Oxford School from West Island to the next committee meeting on July 24th. Everyone applauded the idea.
13. Geoff Sullivan raised the issue of creating a bike path access/egress ramp where David Drown meets Alden Rd. Also, there is a drain cover facing the wrong way on the northbound side of Alden Rd. near the fire hydrant at Shaw's market. This is dangerous and needs to be fixed. Ken will talk to Vinny.
14. Next meeting set on Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Meeting adjourned approximately 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Sullivan