

Minutes
Bikeway Committee
Thursday, October 17, 2013

7pm meeting called to Order

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

1. Bike Bus Project
 - a. Discussed encouraging parents to get kids to bike to school on days when there is no official Bike Bus.
 - b. Decided to keep the program going as late into the autumn as possible.
 - c. Discussed timing of Sconticut Neck Rd. crosswalk painting by DPW. Should happen after final road work in the spring of 2014.
 - d. Discussed asking Police Dept. to put speed meter on northbound side of Sconticut Neck Rd. when practical to slow and narrow traffic at the crosswalk.
2. Requests for funding
 - a. Discussed requesting CPA funding for striping Sconticut Neck Rd. Voted to ask for no more than \$10,000.
 - b. Discussed Cross Alert blinkers at Sconticut Neck Rd. bike path crossing. Voted to ask for no more than \$15,000 for a pair of blinkers at the crossing. Will revisit the question of blinkers at Orchard St. in the future.
 - c. Took no vote on painting crosswalk at Rogers school.
 - d. Geoff and Susan were delegated to talk to the DPW to pin down actual costs.
3. Bike rides on Sunday attendance is tapering off due to weather. Ken will cancel further press releases. Mat will set up a Facebook page which we'll use to publicize rides and other events.
4. Harvest Festival
 - a. Discussed Harvest Festival, addition of new names to mailing list, and things we can do such as bike maintenance clinics, etc.
 - b. Discussed doing a bike seminar at a Boy Scout Troop meeting in the near future. Bob Espindola will set this up.
5. Discussed the process for changing Main and Middle Streets to one way traffic to effect a safer route to and from the bike path to the bridge to New Bedford. This is a long process involving at least the Board of Selectmen, the Police Dept., and public input.
6. Discussed limiting the membership of the Bikeway Committee to avoid quorum issues. We voted for a 13 member limit.
7. Next meeting- November 21, 2013 at 7 p.m.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Geoff Sullivan