Bikeway Committee Minutes July 16, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:00

- 1. Attendance: Ken Pottel, Mat Coes, Lois Callahan, Bill Roth, Rene Fleurent Jr., Bob Espindola, Geoffrey Sullivan
 - Absent: Jeff Wotton, Joyce Barrett and Joseph Mello, Jr.
- 2. Minutes were approved from the June 18, 2015 meeting.
- 3. There was no Treasure's report, since the files had just been transferred to Bill Roth.
- 4. Ken pottel presented the beautification subcommittee 'proposal to plant a wildflower field on the Little Bay extension adjacent to the parking lot and in front of the old building. Committee voted \$1,000 towards the project.
 - Bob gave an update on the Southcoast Bikeway Alliance. Lack of signage on the Fairhaven-New Bedford Bridge was discussed. It was decided that Bill will meet with MassDot to go over issues.
- 5. Upcoming Events:
 - Ken Pottel will lead a August 23rd ride at 9 am leaving from Ft. Phoenix parking lot.
 - Bill Roth will reach out to the Buzzards Bay Coalition about the Committee helping to lead training rides.
 - Bill Roth will link the Narragansett Wheelman website to the Committee's web page because there are a lot of rides listed on their website.
 - Committee discussed the August 6th Town Committees meeting and who would be there to staff the table.
 - Harvest Fun Day was discussed. The Committee voted to pay the \$10 fee to have a table.
- 6. Bill updated the Committee on the status of the two CPC projects and on the idea of asking the Fairhaven Improvement Association for funds to put new granite carved signs at the bike path entrances.
- 7. New Business:
 - Discussion on making new brochure was discussed and getting copies of the existing brochures to the Tourism Office.
 - Ken brought up the idea of recommending a policy about electric bikes on the bike path. The committee felt that no policy recommendation was needed and that they are a type of bike and should not be restricted from the bike path.
- 8. Discussion ensued about spreading out events throughout the year and not bunching them in the spring and early summer. The committee will look into Fall events and possibly having a fundraiser in the Fall.

- 9. Priorities for the upcoming year were discussed. Education and Littlies Bay beautification were agreed on.
- 10. The Committee voted to have the Chairman send a thank you letter to the BPW for all of their help with the signal install, crosswalks, lane stripping and sign installation.
- 11. Next meeting will be September 17, 2015
- 12. 8:30 Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

William Roth