

Hanover Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee Meeting Draft Minutes of June 6, 2013

Present: Scot Drysdale, Carol Weingeist, Sloane Mayor, Joanna Whitcomb, Doug Deatt, Bill Young, Dave Dostal, Barbara McIlroy, Mike Evans, Hugh Mellert, & guests: Patrick O'Neil, Grace Wu, Jason Balkman, Dick Lewin (Hovey Lane)

Action Items:

- Scot to distribute Parking Fund presentation from Lt. O'Neil
- Attend June 17th Selectboard hearing for permits & fees
- Check with Ordinance #23 for Parking District about using parking funds for pedestrians and cyclists
- Summit - Need to send thank you email to participants, encourage attendance at 6/17 hearing & our next meeting on Aug. 1 - need email addresses (DOES ANYONE HAVE THE SIGN UP SHEET?)
- Scot will draft a letter to Selectboard encouraging use of Parking Funds for walking & biking improvements (all parkers are walkers!)
- Contact Carolyn about the possibility of Advisory Lanes on Hovey Lane
- Next HBPC meeting on August 1st at Howe

1. **Introductions and Welcome** to Lt. Patrick O'Neil, Grace Wu, Jason Balkman & Dick Lewin
2. **Parking presentation by Lt. Patrick O'Neil** - The presentation will be distributed by Scot. Patrick provided a clear presentation on the Parking fees. There were a number of questions raised by the group. The parking fees and fines will be discussed at the Monday, June 17th public hearing.
3. **Minutes of May 2013** - Doug moved to approve the minutes, Dave seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.
4. **Next Meetings July 4th & August 1st** - Bill moved to cancel 7/4 meeting & Doug seconded the motion, everyone agreed. Bill also suggested that we cancel the August meeting as well. We all agreed that we shouldn't miss two meetings in a row. There will be an August 1st meeting at the Howe.
5. **4th of July Parade** - Bill let everyone know that Liz Burdette at the Recreation Dept. is in charge. There's always a bike group with staging at HHS
6. **Discussion of Committee Positions** - Bill moved to nominate Dave Dostal for chair and Joanna Whitcomb for secretary, Doug seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. A number of people offered to help chair if Dave couldn't chair. Barbara also offered to take notes if Joanna couldn't make it. A big thanks to Scot for a job well done.

7. **Hanover Bike Pedestrian Summit Comments** – Scot noted that we hosted a public meeting at the Howe Library on May 22nd. It was extremely well attended by approximately 51 people. Thanks to Doug, Carol, Barbara and Dave for organizing the food, to Sloane for drafting the announcement and Carolyn for the great graphics and presentation and to everyone on the committee for being there and making it such a successful event. Thanks also to Janice for typing up the comments. Scot and Joanna reviewed the comments that were submitted at the Summit. Bill asked how we might efficiently process them. Joanna agreed to add the other feedback to Janice's list and send the comments around. It was agreed that an email thank you with comments should be sent to participants. Who has the email list?

8. **Hovey Lane** – Dick Lewin would like to see a sidewalk on Hovey Lane. He's talked with his neighbors about sidewalks and thinks about 70% of them would support a sidewalk. Dick would like to make sure that Hovey Lane gets into the list of priority projects. Scot relayed the criteria – near a school, high density and destination. He noted that Verona was the HBPC priority project this year (~\$19,000 capital cost) and the Selectboard cut it from the 2014 FY budget.

A few months ago another Hovey Lane neighbor came to a meeting to discuss sidewalk. It was noted then that neighborhood support is key as well as the right-of-way.

Dick mentioned that Hovey Lane might be a possible pilot for Advisory Lanes. He offered to meet with all of his neighbors. The committee appreciates the offer and agreed to discuss the possibility with our consultant, Carolyn Radisch and if she thinks it's feasible then talk with the appropriate town staff (Peter K., Mike Evans, etc.)

We all agreed that we need an Advisory Lane pilot that is successful – amount of complaints and counts. We don't want something that's going to "flame out."

9. **June 17th Public Hearing**
Doug requested that we go to the meeting to request that the Selectboard consider giving a portion of the funds raised through the parking fees to support biking and walking improvements. Barbara suggested that we send a letter to the board as a heads up and then encourage anyone who is in town to attend the June 17th.

Doug motioned that we ask the Selectboard for a significant contribution of the parking fees be dedicated to bike and pedestrian improvements, seconded by Joanna and unanimously approved. Scot agreed to draft a letter to the board and send it around.

10. **Bike or Walk Obstructions or Problems** – if it's a Dartmouth issue, contact Joanna and if it's town issue, contact Mike.

11. Calendar of Upcoming Events, please promote on our website, blog & FB page:

- July 4th Parade - Thursday holiday, not sure when the town will have event?
Do we want to have a float or cycle in the parade?
- July 13th – Prouty
- August 1 – Next HBPC meeting

12. Next Meeting is 4:00 to 6:00 on Thursday, August 1st at the Howe Library

Respectfully submitted,
Joanna Whitcomb