

Minutes HBPC June 4, 2015

Howe Library 4 -5:30 PM

Present: Erika Wygonic, Scot Drysdale, Bill Young

Guests- 1. Rebel Roberts-Dartmouth Safety and Security (DSS)

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2. Colin Smith –Lebanon Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee

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Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes- presented but not approved.
2. Rebel Roberts-Investigator, Self Protection and Educator x 32 years Dartmouth.
 - a. Safety and Security supports what we do including Education, Resources and Enforcement. Enforcement will be required for behavior change.
 - b. 1980's Grant Application to NH Safety for Bike Safety Events.
 - i. Bike Safety Event on Green proposed: Education, Repairs, Give Aways (lock, reflectors, etc)
 - ii. Not funded but ideas were valuable.
 - c. Funding recommendations
 - i. Safety and security does not have funds
 - ii. Advised contacting: Student Activities Council (Eric Ramsey), Risk Management, Wellness (Caitlin Barthelms), and especially Sustainability (Rosi Kerr) since they sell bikes, run repair shop, and have a strong leader.
 - iii. Fund raising from specific donors needs to review at Dartmouth.
 - d. Important Bike Ped Issues for Safety and security
 - i. Bikes on sidewalks. She recommends a clear and consistent policy regarding rules and enforcement. DSS does cannot arrest/fine. Students can be scofflaws.
 - ii. DSS willing to work with Hanover Police, HBPC but did not offer to lead this. *Should HBPC organize another meeting of stakeholders.
 - iii. Education is critical at start. Risk Management, Media Services, Wellness, DSS can all help.
 1. Bag on door for all incoming students (reflector, info, etc)
 2. Orientation Expo for incoming students and parents
 3. Helmets, locks, lights, etc low cost sales or give aways.
 4. DSS Officers (walking or on bikes) could join in Gotcha education and encouragement.
 - iv. Pedestrian behavior and visibility discussed briefly.
3. Colin Smith- Lebanon Bike Ped -
 - a. 5 Key Projects
 - i. Mascoma River Greenway (continuation of Rail Trail) toward W. Leb. \$2.1 million project with \$1.9 raised. Donors –City, Timken, other. Downtown to Glen Road is first goal
 - ii. Lebanon Green- restriping, crossings, bikes on sidewalks, and money to do this are on going problems. \$50 K road painting

budget is tight. No \$ for hard engineering changes. Lebanon does not have an ordinance for no bikes on sidewalks.

- iii. Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) projects. They piggy back sidewalks onto sewer reconstruction projects.
- iv. Safe Routes to School. Program was funded and is finished. A few small projects remain. It was a challenge getting the school district and the town to agree and work together.
- v. Learn how bike/ped can work with the DPW.
- vi. Other-Route 120-They have no current plans but lots of ideas -
 - >Cenetera to Hospital Route getting over/under/across 120.
 - >Connecting North of DHMC and South of DHMC MUPs through DHMC property is appropriate.
 - >Willing to meet with DOT, Hanover, DHMC about 120 changes including urban compact change, lane drops, etc.
- vii. Other-Route 10 South to Sachem.
 - >A Highway Safety Grant for the Sachem crossing has been approved but he was unclear about plans.
- viii. Other- MUPs
 - >Lebanon is happy with Mt. Support MUP. Information Kiosks with advice about how to walk/ride on the MUP will be built.
- ix. Other-Staff. A member of the planning board town staff supports the Lebanon bike ped committee. This is helpful.

4. Night Safety and Visibility Event Report

- a. Successful event with David Dostal, Erica Wygonik, Bill Young and guests Joanna Whitcomb's daughter, Hillary and Sarah Young, Rick Greger and two Upper Valley Running Club friends
- b. Tent, DartMoose, Bubbles, Bike with lights on trainer, Reflectors, Questionnaire, Bike ride and Action.
- c. 275 Reflective Slap Bands distributed. 3 Cans of Reflective Paint use.
- d. Surveys
 - i. Count at Hanover Inn Corner -2 Hour. 5/15. Key observations: Most bikers and walkers were polite and legal. 15 bikes on sidewalks. 11 bikes ran red light. Zero of 35 Students with helmets. 780 walkers with 107 jaywalking from Collis Robo to Green and 100 at the Inn corner. 52 distracted walkers viewing palm device while crossing street.
 - ii. Bicycles on Dartmouth campus. Total 1052. 77% with rear reflector.
 - iii. Visibility at Night 8-9 PM on 5/15. Total 1502. Light clothes 440. Dark Clothes 1062. Lights or Reflectors- 5 carrying cell phones with screen light. Bicyclists. 2 with headlight and helmet. (police officer and non student cyclist training) . 23 no headlight and no helmet. 15 sidewalk riders. Stopped at 9 PM because the people in dark clothes could not be seen.

5. Department of Public Works Director- Peter Kulbacki, David Dostal, Carolyn Radisch, Barbara McIlroy, Erika Wyogonic, Bill Young. See separate Meeting Notes.
6. Howe 2 Bike Repair Shop- Sunday June 28 2-4 at Howe Library
“Bill McFadden from the Bike Hub teaches basic maintenance to keep your bike in great shape” Tim Cox is leading this for the HBPC. Please join him.
7. Summer Business
 - a. Prouty- HBPC will not have a role.
 - b. July 4 Parade-HBPC will not have a role.
 - c. Cultivation and recruitment of new HBPC members
All HBPC Members-Please recruit a new member for our fall meeting. Person to person contact is best. Thanks.
8. Next Meeting- Sept 10 (second Thursday- I will be away Sept 3)
Have a fun, safe, pedestrian and cycling summer.

Respectfully submitted
Bill Young