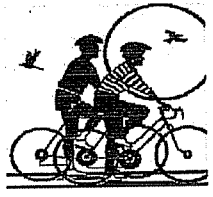




Orleans Bike and Walkways Committee



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April 6, 2009

The April 6, 2009 meeting was called to order by Chairperson Judi Weil at 4:06 PM.

Members:

Present: Judi Weil, Chairperson, Anne Carron, Secretary, Patricia Bradley, Alison Flynn and Kevin Higgins.
Regrets: Jim Demaree and Joe Haddad.

Guests: Jon Fuller, Selectman Liaison, and James Snow, Resident and Part Owner of Snow's Hardware Store.

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Public Comment

Mr. James Snow informed the committee that Snow's store is looking to place a concession stand on their property, near their bike stand, and sell hot-dogs, water, juice, soda, and other pre-packaged goodies for the convenience of bicyclists and pedestrians along that stretch of the bike trail. This will be a seasonal concession stand.

Minutes

The minutes of March 2 were reviewed and amended and a motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes, 2-0-3.

Review and Update Action Items:

115: South Orleans Feasibility Trail Study

Judi, Anne, Pat and Alison, along with John Jannell, attended this afternoon's 2-hour meeting with FST. FST has presented us with a final feasibility study on the trail from So. Orleans to Orleans center, with the recommendation it be done in sections. May 5th, at 6:00 P.M. at Snow Library was suggested for a public hearing. John Jannell will check to see if the meeting can be televised at the library. A motion to hold a Public Hearing on May 5th at 6:00 P.M. at Snow Library was made, seconded, and approved, 5-0-0. (Subsequent to that, the time was changed to 6:30 P.M.)

The committee will make up some flyers to hand-out at various spots in town to advertise the public hearing and try to target as many sites as possible to get the word out.

137: Roadway Master Plan

Judi went to the Fire Department and received their report on bicycle accidents. Of interest was accidents went up 100% from years 2004/05 to 2006/07. A question arose about duplicity of Police and Fire reports; however, Kevin reported that many times the Fire Dept. goes out on a call rather than the Police Dept. or vice-versa. For the committee's purpose, a Fire Dept.'s report on pedestrian and bicycle accidents, with the location, would be very helpful.

A final work session for the sub-committee on Priority Roads will be held on April 17, place to be determined. To coordinate with the list of roads, John Jannell is asking the sub-committee to demonstrate on a map the sections of the roads in question.

103: Accident Log

No Report

106: Safe Routes to School Program

Pat reported that Assistant Superintendent Gail Briere intended on speaking to all the principals in the school district in March, but due to the budget woes, has now postponed that meeting until after school vacation (April 22).

Pat logged on to the March 17th "on-line conference" and listened to part of it. She learned over 200 schools have now signed up for this program. It seems a lot of schools are using this program to incorporate bike safety, physical fitness, geography and other, innovative ideas. A newsletter comes out quarterly.

A reminder to all: May 6th is Massachusetts Bike Safety Day.

107: New Access Route at Bay Ridge

No Report

119: International Worker Training/Chamber of Commerce

In Jim's absence, Judi reports she knows Jim is doing something with Stop and Shop and Shaw's in the middle of April.

129: Quarterly Update of Current Bike Laws

Kevin has a new contact in Boston, and the contact is supposed to send him a disc with all the new, current, bike laws.

131: Coast to Coast

Pat has picked up the flyers and posters advertising this year's Coast To Coast on May 17 at 1:00 P.M. (rain date May 31st). Thompson's Printing did the work gratis, so on the bottom of the material, it states, "sponsored by Thompson's". The posters will be displayed at various locations around town, and the flyers will be handed out by the committee members. Travis Tebbetts, a detective on the Orleans force, may be able to do some kind of bike safety (i.e., rodeo) for the youngsters. Pat has some "bike safety certificates" and wonders if they can be presented to the children, somehow, during school assembly.

Kevin suggested throwing the coast to coast ride out as a challenge to the various town departments in order to spur on more of a community event. Since this is an Orleans activity, it would be nice to have as many people participate as possible.

133: Motorist Education

Kevin reports Chief Roy has been busy with talks with the Eastham P.D. over the past 3 months, but he hopes to go with Kevin to a Traffic Study Committee meeting.

134: Safety Video NRHS

In limbo

135: New Access Route to Canal Rd. from Stop & Shop Parking Lot

No report

136: Working with Mass Bike

Nothing new

Old Business

Pat asks Kevin to remind Chief Roy about the Coast To Coast event so that we may have our "safety nets" in place. Kevin also will ask the Chief if the Town Highway Manager can sweep excess sand off the streets. If it is possible, the Chief may display our banner on the front lawn of the Police Station.

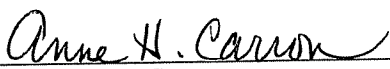
Discussion about the other citizen's coast to coast group (wanting to have some kind of sidewalk/trail from Rock Harbor to Nauset Beach) generally concluded that we would keep in touch with them.

New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 5:22 P.M.

Next meeting is: Monday, May 4, at 4:00 P.M.



Anne H. Carron, Secretary