

## **Westborough Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Minutes of October 6, 2015 meeting**

Attending: Ed Beauchemin, Don Burn, Howard Drake, Ellen Gugel, Glenn McCleod, Nancy Siegal, Bruce Tretter

### **1. Approved September 8, 2015 meeting minutes**

1a. Table at Fall Town Meeting: committee consensus is not enough attendees to make it worthwhile.

2. BWALT status: There was a “walk through” from East Main to Lyman Street portion of the BWALT plan on October 2.

Attending: Jim Malloy, Carl Balduf, Jim Robbins, John Walden, Brian Waterman (of Waterman Associates), and BPAC members Bruce, Don, Ellen, Glenn, and Ed.

#### **Action Items:**

- Waterman will do engineering plan and survey – cost, timeframe not clear
- Brush can be cleared after survey
- Gift account with the town established for BWALT donations

3. Worcester Bike/Walk Summit on 9/24/15: Don and Ellen attended and also Jim Robbins and Carl Balduf. Don and Ellen reported on various sessions they attended like “Vision Zero” plan for zero cyclist/pedestrian fatalities, new engineering/design standards, signage standards still evolving, and how RTC is prioritizing trail projects by population densities. Also Complete Streets which Don suggested we lobby the BoS or TM to adopt. Don plans to go to Moving Together, the MassDOT conference in November.

4. Rotary: CMRPC’s Nick Burnham contacted Bruce saying he saw no need for a Neighborhood Safety Survey regarding the downtown traffic rotary as he and others at CMRPC believe the rotary is safe for pedestrians and cyclists. MassDOT has been asked to do a Road Safety Audit which is being scheduled. Consistent signage might be a first step. Crash study is being done. Glenn said he observed the rotary over a number of hours in the middle of a weekday and observed near misses, confusion, lots going on there.

5. Various state road projects planned:

- Route 30 repaving E. Main to Southborough within next 1-2 years. In the design phase. We want bike/pedestrian improvements. In feasibility study currently?
- Lyman/Route 9 is 25% design complete phase. Finalizing design which has the bike lane falling 200-250' short of where it must, failing to accommodate the BWALT crossing at Lyman Street
- W. Main/Nourse (Rte 30 west of rotary) is also on the state schedule; 2018-2019?

6. Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan: Not much to report except Chapter 4 is drafted with a description of various programs such as Safe Routes to Schools, Complete Streets, etc.

7. Other Business:

- Nancy may be unable to make meetings for the next 6 months or so because of new work schedule.
- Milton Bicycle Committee Chair (Lee Toma) invited to next meeting to share their experience in improvements that resulted in a Bronze award from League of American Bicyclists.

8. Next meeting November 10<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m.