

Westborough BPAC

Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2014

Attendance: Ed Beauchemin, Ellen Gugel, Chris Hughes, Nancy Siegal, Bruce Tretter, Howard Drake

- Bruce presented BPAC status to the Board of Selectmen
- Approved last month's minutes
- BWALT
 - Easement Progress
 - Moving along, but slowly
 - Article for fall Town Meeting
 - Easements west of Park St. plus spurs
 - \$32,000
 - Only 30 days to TM
 - Should have a slide for TM accounting for how the previous article was spent
 - Next Steps
 - Don talking with Shrewsbury on 9/10 to discuss the "Shrewsbury mile"
 - Don, Howard, and Bruce walked that stretch last weekend
 - In pretty good shape – brush needs clearing
 - Bruce showed us some pictures
- Commuter Routes (Howard)
 - Howard needs to contact Mark Stockman again
 - Is "Commuter" the right term?
 - Plan is to review them over the next month, then publish
 - Write a press release for the local papers
 - Maybe use Google Earth instead of town GIS
 - Don & Mark are bottlenecks for GIS (only experts)
- Education Ideas
 - Bike to work event next spring
 - Work day on BWALT
 - Clear E. Main <-> Lyman section
 - Walking Club
 - Biking event
 - Associated with Spring Festival

- Possibly close some roads
- PSAs on town TV channel
- Work with Recreation Department
 - Bike prep event for spring
 - Hand out paper copies of Commuter Route maps
- Guided group rides for small (adult) groups
- BPAC rides on Howard's routes
- Resource page additions – local clubs
 - 7 Hills Wheelmen
 - Nashoba Valley Pedalers
 - Charles River Wheelmen
- Discussion of activities of nearby towns (Ed)
 - Marlborough & Hudson
 - Working on a list of roads and desired improvements for each
 - Working with MAPC
- Next meeting October 14th at 7PM