

Falmouth Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
Wednesday, April 3rd, 2019 7 PM
Old Water Dept. Rm (Main Floor), Town Hall, Main St., Falmouth MA

Present: Scott Lindell, JoAnn Fishbein, Tim Shea, Chris McGuire, Clifford Harris, Ed Gross
At 7:05 Scott called the meeting to order.

Public Comment

Jennifer Woodward, representing the Falmouth Public Library, discussed the recent acquisition of Cargo-bike won by the library. The bike will be used by Library May through August at public spaces within a 2 mile radius of the library to carry a small supply of books for the public. She was invited to join the bike committee at Bike to Work Day on May 14.

Minutes from previous meeting

JoAnn moved to approve the minutes of 2/6/19. Tim seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Friends of Falmouth Bikeways

Patty reported on the plans to connect the Shining Sea Bikeway to the Bourn Rail Trail, a process that will take many years. She is currently working on completion of an application to the CPC for funding for design and engineering. FFBW voted at their monthly meeting to purchase safety vests for J1 workers that they will ask the bike lab to distribute when workers come for bicycles.

Bike to Work Week plans

Bike to work day is scheduled for Tuesday 5/14. Rain date is the next day. Arrangements were made for refreshments, raffles, swag. JoAnn offered to register the event with Bay State Bike Week. She reports that they are not providing swag this year. Jennifer offered to investigate if the library might be able to provide swag.

Possible plans with MassBike Director for 5/15 – Bicycle/ped/driving education workshops

Scott reported that he had contacted schools to see if they were interested in education offered with Galen Mook. He did not hear back.

Ed advised that for others that are interested, Mr. Mook is available and should be emailed. Scott will consider inviting DPW staff, Town Planning staff, Town Manager staff, Chamber of Commerce staff to a roundtable forum and brainstorm with Galen Mook May 15th.

Rt. 28/Main St. re-design plans

Scott reported that the temporary committee has submitted its report which included 8' multi purpose paths on either side for Phase 3. Concern was expressed that this design continue into the next phase so as not to dump users of the path into the traffic of Phase 2.

DPW staff and consulting engineers will be invited to attend the next Bike/Ped committee meeting to discuss the 25% plan.

Update re DPW plans- road works and SSBW safety maintenance

Tim distributed a spread sheet with updates of work requested.

Scott noted that Tim's efforts have resulted in good communication and work being planned and completed.

Safety vest campaign

50 orders have been received so far. JoAnn will contact Howling Bird to complete the first order.

Benches

Should the committee reconsider its role in Town policy of "moratorium" with placement of memorial benches on the SSBW? The committee could consider trying to identify and pre-qualify spots that could be appropriate for a bench. Additionally suggestion offered that cost to donor might include money placed in a fund for the long term maintenance of benches. Scott will speak with Ted about the matter.

EDIC proposed bridge/walkway

Scott will invite the EDIC to give a presentation. Ed Gross is our liaison with EDIC

Church of Messiah connector in WH

The church would like to connect a path on their property to the bikeway.

Chris moved that the committee support the church connector to the bikeway. JoAnn seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Bike Racks

The last of the bike racks funded by the CPC will be installed this spring along with directional signs.

Future Agenda items:

- New bike rack (Maravista) and kiosk (WH)
- ADA audible crosswalks at Locust St. and Goodwill Crossing
- Trunk River & SSBW washout repair
- Goodwill Crossing
- Gifford St. crosswalk at Goodwill Park
- Shore St./Surf Drive intersection re-design

At 8:24 Tim moved to adjourn. JoAnn seconded.

Relevant Documents:

Minutes 2/6/29

Bikeway Work Requests Spreadsheet

