

## Minutes

### Bicycle and Pedestrian Paths Committee

Regular Meeting: October 15, 2018

Members present: Steven Antinozzi (SA), Kevin Boehmcke (KB) Chair, Hazel Civalier (HC), Joplin James (JJ), Kate Lalley (KL), Wendy Saville (WS), Caroline Weaver (CW), Jeff Zweber (JZ)

Staff present: Dean Pierce (DP)

Meeting called to order: 6:35 pm

Kevin requested additions to September minutes from Shelburne Day comments. Dean explained corrections to September minutes more easily handled by including them in October minutes. Kevin wished for the 'Other Suggestions from Residents at Shelburne Day' section of the minutes to reflect as follows:

- Resident Tom O'Brien; concerns with the Country Store Parking, unsafe. He would love to see no parking in front of the store and instead picnic tables or similar so folks could enjoy their cremees.
  - Put a cross walk at the Bus Stop in front of Harrington Village at Harrington Ave.
  - Feels the village core area is too dangerous
- Another resident would love to see:
  - A connection from Shelburne Farms to the Beach
  - Path along the west side of the road connecting Shelburne Farms to the community school
  - Connection from Ridgefield through Wake Robin to Bostwick Rd.
  - Connect to South Burlington and Charlotte Bike Paths
- Another set of residents commented how they feel the Webster Rd./Shelburne Rd intersection for bikes and pedestrians is very dangerous at the corner where the path curves onto the sidewalk. Cars are competing with commuters for this space on a regular basis. It is very dangerous to be coming south on Shelburne Rd. and try to anticipate what cars are going to do at that intersection. (Lives on Hillside Terrace)

KL moved to approve September minutes as reviewed. CW seconded. Motion approved.

Agenda approved with one change moving Item # 11 Review Map and Feedback from Planning commission to follow Item #7 Presentation by Allegra Williams of Local Motion.

#5- Photograph of Paths committee taken

#6 Public comment- No public in attendance

#7 Allegra Williams from Local Motion introduced by KB. Allegra explained the Penny for Paths Program in S. Burlington recently passed and added \$.01 to the current tax rate of S. Burlington. Local Motion assisted by producing lawn signs, postcard mailings and phone banks to pass the measure. They assisted in raising \$900. If \$1,000. Or more, the Friends of the Paths would have had to create a PAC. The Penny for Paths money will be used for bike and pedestrian infrastructure to connect current paths that exist in S. Burlington but do not connect. There is

some disconnected areas due to private lands which is a source of frustration. The final vote in S. Burlington was 70/30 and passed the first time on the ballot.

Spear Street is the most likely first area to be addressed with Fayette and Allen Roads also mentioned. CW asked about timeline for Spear St. Allegra replied Summer 2019 at the earliest.

Allegra said Local Motion Facebook page shows some of their projects. They have a trailer with “pop up” materials that can be rented for delivery and mileage costs. KL suggested that Local Motion might be able to facilitate a Shelburne community discussion about connectivity, fog lines, 10 foot road widths, etc. and other topics from our committee discussions for improvements around Shelburne. Local Motion can also assist with on-line petitions to assess support for different projects on “Goal Pages”.

DL suggested that a developing Social Media Policy in Shelburne might dictate on-line activity from the SBPPC. KL suggested an article be written for the Shelburne News regarding Allegra Williams attending the Paths Committee.

#11 Per DP the SBPPC map for the Town Plan (which is designated Map 9) was received by the Planning Commission and incorporated in the document that was warned for a public hearing. DP explained that, by law, certain parties such as neighboring towns must have 30 days’ notice prior to the hearing. This means the Planning Commission was under some time pressure to act on October 11 if the hearing is to take place on November 15<sup>th</sup>. The version of Map 9 incorporated in the warned document is one the Commission had available before their meeting and depicts parcel boundaries as well as bicycle and pedestrian facilities. According to KL, the PC liked this version of the map because showing parcel boundaries is consistent with the other maps in the Town Plan.

According to DP it should not be overly difficult to update the version of Map 9 included in the Plan following the Planning Commission hearing. One chance is to do so is before the Plan is transmitted to the Selectboard, while another exists after the document is received by the Selectboard. The Selectboard must conduct 2 public hearings by February 18<sup>th</sup> if the new Plan is to be adopted before the existing Plan expires. For that reason DP would suggest that Map 9 be updated before the Plan is transmitted to the Selectboard.

The committee then discussed potential changes to Map 9, including removal of parcel boundaries and addition of points indicating building locations (as an indication of population density). JZ suggested that the BPPC formalize its position regarding the map, including the recommended future facilities it portrays. He moved that the future features depicted on the Priority Paths Trails and Lanes Map (AKA Map 9) dated 10/12/18 be reflected in the version of Map 9 included in the Town Plan. SA seconded, and the motion passed. JZ then moved that the version of Map 9 included in the Town Plan include building points but not parcel boundaries. CW seconded the motion, and the motion passed. The group also discussed other potential edits to the map related to color of roads on the Shelburne Museum property, coloring of inholdings at Shelburne Farms, wording of the legend entry for trails at Shelburne Farms, and

the depiction of Meach Cove lands. DP explained that Pam Brangan of CCRPC is assisting with the creation of maps for the Plan. DP will contact Pam to review the changes that are desired by the BPPC.

KL left the meeting.

#8 Bike Share: Kevin asked that a member research having this program in Shelburne. CW volunteered.

Rocco thinks blending bus routes with Bike Share locations makes sense.

#9 LaPlatte River Crossing Bridge update: Congratulations all around for the immense volunteer work going into this project. A Celebration is tentatively planned for November 11<sup>th</sup>. KB moved to spend up to \$200 of committee funds for food and a banner for the event. SA seconded. Motion passed.

Discussion regarding map to indicate location of the bridge. Signage in the woods discussed as well as paths on public and private lands being indicated on the map. Parking also discussed. JJ will contact Supermarket to confirm that it is anticipated that the public may park in the Shopping Plaza parking lot to access the path and bridge.

#10. Community Outreach: KB and CW met with Tom Dennenberg of the Shelburne Museum in response to Museum requesting to see proposed Paths map for the Town Plan. Tom expressed his concern about the aesthetics of the intersection of Route 7 and Marsett/Bostwick Roads at the corner of the Shelburne Museum property. KB and CW expressed the Committee's safety concerns at that corner.

#12 Irish Hill Project Update: Per DP, Paperwork still needs to be completed between Town and VTTrans. KB will follow up with Lee Krohn, Interim Town Manager. DP also announced that Ann Janda will be leaving within several weeks.

#13 Bay Road gravel path: KB will follow up with Lee Krohn regarding status since the Wetlands study shows near the road would be acceptable for this path.

#14 Next meeting Monday November 19<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:30 pm

WS moved to adjourn. JZ seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.