

Draft Notes: Shelburne Bicycle and Pedestrian Paths Committee

June 20, 2022

6:30 – 8:00 PM

Pierson Library

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Ted Grozier called the meeting to order at 1833.

Member Attendees - Ted Grozier, Nicole Carpenter, Jessica Coleman, Kevin Boemke, Charlie Jones, Jane Pickell

Public Attendees - Jane Zenaty (VSPG), Barb Johnson (VSPG)

2. Administration

a. Appoint a notetaker - Charlie Jones volunteered to take notes.

b. Approve agenda - The agenda was approved by voice vote.

c. Approve minutes from May - The minutes were approved by voice vote.

3. Public Comment

a. Update from Village Pedestrian Safety Group - Jane Zenaty asked for support from the Shelburne Bike and Pedestrian Paths Committee (BPPC) for a statement she planned to read at the Shelburne Selectboard meeting on Tuesday June 28, 2022, in support of forming a working group to begin to prepare for the review, prioritization and funding of recommendations from the CCRP Connectivity Study. Support was not given, however it was agreed that a special meeting would be held to develop next steps with Town Planner Adele Gravitz once the draft report is released.

b. Update on VPSG proposal for improving parking and connectivity around the Shelburne Country Store - Jane Zenaty reported that dialog with the Town continues.

4. Route 7 Safe Crossing update and next steps - Charlie Jones provided the update. Ted Grozier and he gathered 76 signatures from individuals at a recent Shelburne Museum Concert in support of creation of a safe crossing at Marsett/ Bostwick Rds. Charlie is drafting a letter to the Shelburne Selectboard and will reach out to the Shelburne Vineyard and Lake Champlain Waldorf School. Charlie will share drafts with Ted Grozier before forwarding on to the Selectboard.

5. Connectivity Study Update - Jessica Coleman gave a brief update that we are awaiting the release of a draft report expected in June or July.

6. Trail Projects

a. LaPlatte Crossing

i. Next steps on Town adoption? Did letter get sent to Lee to formalize town adoption? - Joplin Wistar was not present to provide an update.

- ii. Pre-inspection and engineering inspection - Nothing new to report; will await update from Joplin Wistar.
- b. Andrew report on Boulder Hill trail work and Kwiniaska access - Andrew Everett was not present to provide an update.
- c. Update on Irish Hill Road bridge - Kevin Boemke gave an update on next steps that were relayed to him by Lee Krohn, Shelburne Town Manager. Although the project is “shovel ready”, cost increases of several \$100K have the Town of Shelburne seeking additional funds. Best case start is 2023, if additional funding can be secured. Kevin will continue to check-in with Lee on progress to secure additional funding.

7. Bike Projects

- a. TBD - No update. Nicole agreed to schedule a meeting of this subcommittee in August 2022.

8. Community Outreach

- a. Safe Routes to School update –
 - i. May 4th Walk & Roll school event - Ted Grozier still trying to obtain numbers for the event that was held on a day in which it rained heavily. The coordinator may have changed jobs and a new coordinator may be needed..
- b. BPPC Community Walks/Bike Rides in Summer/Fall 2022?
 - i. Background: There was a BPPC town bike rides/walk in the Fall 2020. Ted drafted the handbook. Betsy Cieplicki helped to promote with a flyer.
 - ii. There were 6 events.
 - a. Archie’s Grill to Shelburne Bay Park. One-hour round-trip by foot.
 - b. Shelburne Pond loops. One hour to explore both loops.
 - c. Longmeadow Drive - Boulder Hill Drive - Webster Road
 - d. Farmstead Drive loop. One hour exploring the neighborhood connections.
 - e. Ti-Haul Trail to Picnic Point by bike. 40 minutes out-and-back.
 - f. Shelburne Bay Park loop. One-hour loop
 - g. LaPlatte Nature Trail loop. 90-minute loop
- c. Could do almost the same thing Summer/Fall 2022? - BPPC members voiced support for repeating this program again. Jane Pickell offered to help coordinate participation and to update documents and promote the event with help from others.
- d. Farmer’s Market preparation - a shared booth with VSPG members was discussed for the upcoming Shelburne Day. Jane Zenaty agreed to secure a booth reservation. The purpose and focus of the booth will continue to be discussed at an upcoming meeting.

9. Funding

a. Ted Grozier attended a Vtrans Bike and Pedestrian Grant Program Webinar to learn about requirements and opportunities for funding.

10. DRB Coordination – How to add bike/trail infrastructure with new development projects.

a. Three are currently in consideration

i. Two on Falls Road

ii. Brian Precourt condominium development on Bay Road

b. Nicole Carpenter will be the DRB liaison and connect with Mark Sammut, the DRB Chair about how to integrate BPPC with DRB. - Nicole met with Adele Gravitz and the Assistant Planner - Aaron. Process steps were review DRB submissions and provide input. The Shelburne Natural Resources Committee has standing before the DRB. A change in process would be required for input from BPPC. Adele is willing to take input from BPPC and share it a DRB meetings. Comments need to be given to Aaron 8 days prior to the DRB hearing of the submission being commented upon. Nicole will continue to meet with Adele and Aaron on a quarterly basis.

11. Other business - Deferred due to inadequate time left in the meeting to address.

a. Plans to hire a consultant to review zoning regulations. Role of BPPC?

b. Review BPPC Charter

c. Easements and private land access laws - discussion of how to influence key community members

12. Confirm next meeting date (August 15th or no meeting?). - Ted Grozier to send a survey to committee members of potential meeting dates and their availability to meet during the Summer.

13. Adjourn - Ted Grozier adjourned the meeting at 2001.