

## Unapproved minutes of the June 4, 2019 Meeting of the Ad-Hoc Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Meeting called to order by Virginia Raff 7:05 PM

Notes from May approved 7:05 PM

Notetaker Jason Engelhardt

Attendance: Lynn Stechschulte, Virginia Raff, Jason Engelhardt, Lianne Herdle, David Anderson, Ellen Weiss, Toni Davis

Guest: Riley Couto

1. Guests welcome/ public comment/Chair's comments
2. Minutes/notes of last meeting
3. Transportation Alternatives opportunity David

Riley Kouto introduces her civic action plan to put a bike path between downtown and Hammonasset. Dave Anderson mentions that the connections along route 1 are a growing concern with lots of young people traveling by foot or bike especially between downtown and the Surf Club. There has been discussion among town officials to apply for the transportation alternatives grant to create a designated bike/walk route from downtown to Surf Club. Ginny recommends it continues through Lowry field and then back to route 1.

Other ideas are improvements on Middle Beach Road, possibly partnering with Clinton to make a pedestrian path by Salt Meadow Park and in to Clinton.

Jason brings up idea to connect North Madison at Rockland to South of Route 80 by gravel paths. Introduces a map, group appreciates ideas and Jason encourages group to consider that Madison is more than a shoreline route, connections are needed North to South for safe routes and recreation opportunities. This may not be in the next cycle for the TA grant but it could be a long term idea to pursue.

#### 4. Bike Walk Master Plan - Fitzgerald Halladay proposal

David received a master plan from Fitzgerald Halladay to produce a Bike Walk Master Plan that could be presented to the selectmen and used to focus that committee on steps to make Madison more bike and pedestrian friendly.

BPAC committee recommends that David engage in a contract with this firm to start the work soon.

#### 5. Bike Friendly Community application

Lynn has invited all the members of BPAC to join the application group online. She will push discussion on the application to another meeting.

6. Where do we go from here?

Jason wants to make sure that discussions include connections to North Madison and safe routes to school.

7. Complete Streets update Ellen

A group of 5 BPAC committee members will be going with John Iennaco to the Complete Streets meeting.

8. Outreach and Safety Education Lianne

Several members of the committee have been installing safety awareness signs for walkers and bikers along Middle Beach, informing neighbors through mailings, and engaging residents in proper walking/biking protocols.

9. Misc: Hand, Polson, Bauer connection; Eagle Scout bikerack project; accessible pathways; Academy School crossing,

10. Other business – Salt Meadow Park event June 9

11. Adjournment.

**Next Meeting**

Meeting Adjourned 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Engelhardt