

Final Minutes of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee  
Thursday, May 21 2015  
First Floor Conference Room - Independence Hall  
725 Old Post Road Fairfield, CT 06824

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Chair, Keith Gallinelli

Members Present: Laura OBrien, Don Hyman, Linda Lach, Bill Pollack, Karen Secrist, Betsy Gardner, Ed Lane, and Bob Tota

Others Present: Bill Hurley, Engineer; Alyssa Israel, Fairfield Bike Walk Coalition

Motion by Laura OBrien to approve the minutes from Thursday, April 16 2015, seconded by Linda Lach. Motion was approved unanimously.

1. Opening remarks by Keith Gallinelli:
  - a. Update on Bike Bill SB 50
2. Discussion with Bill Hurley regarding placement of '3 FT' signs:
  - a. 5 signs currently available; 5 additional ones can be obtained
  - b. Bill asked the committee to start an email thread with suggested locations for the signs. **He would like all recommendations by Monday, June 1**
3. "Library to Library" Route Updates/Next Steps:
  - a. Don Hyman shared ride survey data with Bill Pollack
  - b. Bill Hurley and committee to present route to Police Commission on June 10 or July 8
  - c. Final route may not be the one piloted; Route Working Group to discuss alternative routes prior to meeting with Police Commission
4. Sidewalk Inspections:
  - a. Town has completed 104 miles of sidewalk inspections; Engineer Hurley to present results at Board of Selectmen meeting on June 3 or June 24
5. Subcommittee Updates:
  - a. Communications and Events: Updates on major initiatives
    - i. Discussion regarding fall ride along proposed "Shore" route
      1. Subcommittee to check September/October event calendar(s) for conflicts prior to proposing ride dates
    - ii. Linda Lach summarized committee participation in Fairfield's Earth Day Celebration on Saturday, April 25th
    - iii. Linda Lach gave update on Fairfield "Back in Time" Historical Bike Tour
      1. Scheduled for Sunday, July 19 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Rain Date: Sunday, July 26
      2. Fee is \$5 for Fairfield Museum and History Center members and \$10 for non-members

3. The route is about 10 miles (Town Green to Southport Harbor) and can be expanded to include the NIKE site
  4. The Fairfield Bike & Pedestrian Committee will manage event sign-up, marketing (library posters and press release), and secure sponsor for post event water/energy bars, etc.
  5. The event is limited to 25 participants and surveys will be distributed post event
6. Education, Health and Funding:
- a. Betsy Gardner provided a summary of the Fairfield Chamber's 1st Annual Health & Wellness Expo on May 3
  - b. Discussion regarding three future events:
    - i. Bike Rodeo
    - ii. Speaker Series on the Health Benefits of Walking
    - iii. "Complete Streets 101" seminar led by industry expert
7. Government:
- a. Subcommittee to organize meeting with Deputy Chief Christopher Lyddy *prior* to "Library to Library" route presentation to Police Commission on June 10 or July 8
8. FBWC (Fairfield Bike Walk Coalition):
- a. Alyssa Israel solicited ideas for reinvigorating FBWC. FBWC to potentially act as fundraising arm and organize volunteers for FBPC (Fairfield Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee) events
    - i. FBWC would like committee members to volunteer for the Fairfield Fire Fighters 5K on Saturday, June 27th. The FBWC will receive \$50 per volunteer as "subcontractors" of the FBRA (Fairfield Beach Residents Association).
  - b. Linda Lach to serve as liaison between the FBPC and the FBWC
9. Other business:
- a. Our next meeting is Thursday, June 18

Motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. by Laura OBrien, seconded by Betsy Gardner. Motion was approved unanimously.