

Manchester Bicycle Pedestrian Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: May 19, 2021

Location: Virtual

In Attendance: Al Centner, Chair, Kurt Svetaka, Amy Coleman, Sue Centner, Dana Vermilye, Freddy Cicerchia, and Terry Cowman

Meeting called to order at 7:17 PM

- 1) Minutes from 4/21/21 meeting discussed and approved
- 2) Aileen O'Rourke has resigned for a role with MassBike. Darcy Morris has applied to the BOS.
- 3) Review of key projects
 - a. DPW
 - i. Nothing new on projects in pipeline and updates on current issues/Al and Dana
 - ii. Bike Racks – DPW has no preference on suppliers, types or locations, suggests we review our list with other relevant committees and groups, DPW happy to place racks, and also has at least 2 Omega designs in their yard for us/Terry
 - b. State DOT
 - i. 127 MBTA overpass – letters sent to Tarr and Hill, Moulton, Warren, and Markey for State and Federal funding for this priority project resulted in consideration but rejection at this time. More funding per Sue may become available.
 - ii. 127 speed limits, sidewalks, bike lanes – no update/Freddy
 - c. Walk and Bike Friendly Town Initiative
 - i. Upper School Street – Dana presented draft flyer for neighbors, and timing. Suggestion accepted to tie this discussion to SRTS, Memorial School access conversation, and to invite SRTS Judy Crocker to next meeting.
 - ii. Riding and walking routes to schools, parks and beaches – decided first focus to be on School Street (Dana) and on schools routes (Al, Sue, Terry)
 - d. Education and Advocacy
 - i. Safe Routes to School
 1. Memorial School Access Plan – Al reported on meeting with Principal Willis on Access Plan and also short term access issues during final phase of construction. Plan to support both - see SRTS representative Judy Crocker at next meeting, and Sue to reach out regarding autumn planning.
 2. Bike Rodeo – coordinate with school, 375th, PMC Kids, and Independence Parade timing – no new information.
 - ii. Promote Walk Safely – no update.
 - iii. Promote Bike Safely – Freddy to coordinate activity with new bike shop owner.
- 4) Coordination/updates with DIP, OSC, MiM, 375th Committee, MassBikes
 - i. DIP – no new information
 - ii. OSC – Al to present list of bike rack locations from Terry, ask about Western Woods
 - iii. MAinMotion – promoting access to cycling for health, and promoting regional bike plan on Cape Ann for access and safety.
 - iv. May is Bike Month – MassBikes update - invite Aileen to next meeting
- 5) Set next meeting – 6/16/21 at 7:00PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM

Submitted by:

Terry Cowman, on behalf of Manchester Bicycle Pedestrian Committee

Approved by Vote of Committee 6/16/21