

# Manchester Bicycle Pedestrian Committee

## Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Date:** June 15, 2022

**Location:** Virtual

**In Attendance:** Dana Vermilye and David Saunders, Chairs, Kurt Svetaka, Freddy Cicerchia, and Terry Cowman

**Not in Attendance:** Amy Coleman, Sue Centner

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM

- 1) Minutes of May 18, 2022, approved by vote
- 2) Review of key projects.
  - a. DPW
    - i. Infrastructure plans for 2022 – coordinate with Complete Streets initiatives – nothing to report – Dana
    - ii. Work about to begin on School Street water main relining – opportunity for CS work? Dana
    - iii. Shared Streets - Norwood/Brook/Washington corridor and Pleasant Street – \$50K grant awarded! which now needs coordination on installation with DPW. Dana and Terry
  - b. State DOT/Government - Rt.127 - sidewalks, marked bike lanes, speed limits - and EV charging at MBTA. No response. Freddy
  - c. Walk and Bike Friendly Town Initiative
    - i. Upper School Street to Lincoln to Summer bike lane, entry signage, and potential redesign of School Street – ongoing discussion. Dana
    - ii. Discussed Library response to and promotion of Book Club on active transportation issues for Thursdays in July. David
  - d. Education and Advocacy
    - i. Safe Routes to School
      1. Routes to School – Marking Safe Routes to School in town through geocaching and signage, kit from SRTS (Judy). David
      2. Continue in-school programs, crossing guards, and newsletter. Validate that safety instruction is included in curriculum. Sue
      3. Promote kids riding to school safely – group from Rockwood Heights/Pleasant Street – Cricket article, social media, etc. Dana, David, Terry
      4. Connect with PTO for bike and walk promotions in autumn. Terry
    - ii. Promote Bike Safety
      1. Cricket articles, social media, page and community survey on town website – connecting with town communications director. Sue/David
      2. Kids PMC and Library Touch a Truck event have both been moved to September 17, working to coordinate the two. Terry
      3. Work with PD on helmet distribution to include Singing Beach, Parks and Recreation Department, and Library in summer, PMC and TaT in autumn. Terry
      4. Investigating summer bike riding with Parks and Recreation Department. Terry
    - iii. Bike Rack Placement and order. Terry/Dana
      1. Bike racks have shipped – need to confirm arrival.
      2. Follow up with Town Administrator, Parks and Rec, MECT, and OSRC on locations.

- 3) Coordination/updates with DIP, OSRC, MiM, 375<sup>th</sup> Committee, Planning Board, MassBike and MBTA
  - i. DIP – funds for concept design on Central from Pine to Beach, Summer to Washington. Kurt
  - ii. OSRC – no update. David
  - iii. Planning Board – not responded to inquiries. David
  - iv. MassBikes – successful May Bike Month. Terry
  - v. MECT – coordinate with bike rack placement. David
  - vi. MBTA – EV charging at train station – no update. Dana
- 4) Other community, town committees, and government issues related to our agenda – first survey for Parking Study was success, more dates coming. Terry
- 5) Set next meeting – 7/20/22 at 7:00PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM

Submitted by: Terry Cowman, on behalf of Manchester Bike and Pedestrian Committee  
Approved by Vote of Committee 7/20/22