

Attendees:

Donna Hayford
David McCarthy
Brian Ross
Scott Hastings
Leah Drennan
Guest: Ron McAllister – Village Study Committee

Topics Discussed:

- 1) Ron McAllister provided an update on the efforts of the Village Study Committee and invite the Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee to consider having a member join a Village Steering Committee that is under Consideration by the Board of Selectmen. As currently proposed, the Steering Committee will oversee implementation of the Village revitalization as voted by Town residents at the May referendum.

The Committee will have nine members with four members who have been participating in the Village Study Committee. The other five members will be open to the public and nominations will be solicited from groups who have an interest of the revitalization and/or may be impacted by the effort.

The current status of the effort is that Maine DoT is sponsoring an abutters meeting before it signs the contract with the Town. The engineering effort will commence after the meeting and signing of the contract.

- 2) Scott provide the committee with initial results from the York Biking and Walking Survey. 219 people filled out the survey. The results were briefly discussed by the Committee and will be a major driver in formulating the Master Plan.
Scot will provide the Committee a series of spreadsheets that provide the details behind the initial results and also provide written comments from survey respondents. This will be distributed to Committee members via email for discussion at the July 20 meeting.

- 3) Having reviewed Master Plans from Bicycle Friendly Cities Portsmouth, Bath, and Brunswick, the Committee discussed the process by which we would identify and prioritize items, issues, and policies to be addressed in the Master Plan.

Brian provided a strawman for discussion of criteria to use for prioritizing initiatives to improve biking and walking safety and accessibility in York. After discussion, the primary criteria were digested to Safety, Access/Connectivity, Demand/Users, Feasibility, and Cost/Funding/Budgeting.

Brian will provide a draft of the prioritization criteria with definitions for discussion the next meeting.

- 4) During the above discussions, several additional actions were brought up.
 - Speed monitors like the one that was pasted near the Meadowbrook Plaza are believed to be able to record data on speeds over a period of time. This data would be very helpful in understanding how and where to review speed limits and traffic calming initiatives on the

streets identified in the public forum, the survey, and by Committee Members. A brief brainstorming session yielded the following streets where collecting this data would benefit the Committee. (Woodbridge, Moulton, Ridge, Shore, near Village Elementary School, Josiah Norton, North Village and Mountain Roads.) Dave will explore this with the York Police Department.

- After further review of the data from the surveys, the Committee will write an article or Letter to the Editor of the York Weekly thanking all those who participated the Public Forum and completed the surveys. At that time, the data will be posted on the Town web site.

Action Items:

Scott will continue work on summarizing public forum data and compiling survey data.

Brian will provide a draft of the prioritization criteria with definitions for discussion the next meeting.

Contact YPD about gathering data using speed monitors on streets perceived to be dangerous due to speeding motorists.

Next Meeting: July 20, 2016 at 1:00 at the York Public Library

Approve Minutes from June 1, 2016 and July 6, 2016 meetings.

Continue review of Public Forum and Survey results.

Finalize prioritization criteria for bike and pedestrian initiatives in the master Plan.

Discuss format/structure of Master Plan.

Schedule a Committee Workshop to identify and prioritize improvement initiatives.

Upcoming Calendar of Bike/Ped events:

July 19: Bike and Pedestrian Safety Education presentation to Library summer reading program