

TOWN OF YORK BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MEETING

2/3/2016

Attendees:

Brian Ross
Peter Yaunch
Scott Hastings
Donna Hayford
Leah Drennan

The meeting minutes were unanimously approved for the January 20th meeting.

Topics Discussed

Survey

Scott developed a sample survey using Google. We were asked to try out the survey prior to the February 3rd meeting. There were several small suggestions, adding bi-weekly for usage (vs only “daily”, “weekly”), a separate question on bike trails (vs rolling into comments sections) and perhaps to not use *paved* trails. The Google “app” also will provide for compilation of the data, pie charts, excel spreadsheet(s) and customer comments.

We agreed that it would be good to roll out the survey upon approval at the Selectman's meeting, 3/28, and have available through the end of May.

Complete Streets

Brian provided several exhibits of different towns with a Complete Street Policy such as Windham, Yarmouth, and Scarborough. We reviewed the Bicycle Coalition's explanation of Complete Streets and discussed that it means different approaches for different roads. According to the Maine Bicycle Coalition, “a complete street policy does not dictate a one-size fits all approach” but rather to balance the needs for everyone using the road. It was commented that Complete Streets is also a policy, not an ordinance. We agreed that the Complete Streets policy should be explored further for the Master Plan.

Upcoming Schedule/Dates/Goals

3/28 – Dave to Update the Selectmen; kickoff Survey

May – Public Meeting (date tbd)

5/21 – outreach at Town Referendum with a table for printed surveys. Leah will take lead with members to assist taking time slots

end of May/early June – close survey, review results

Public Meeting

We discussed the setup of the public meeting to include a short presentation, then stations for one-on-one feedback with committee members sitting at different tables. There will be exhibits available with sidewalks, shoulders, destinations, accident data, etc. In the fall, we would have another public meeting showing survey results with a bullet list of our recommendations.

Scott said that Steve Burns wants to talk with the committee about an upcoming potential project. Scott will look into scheduling this meeting.

We reviewed the quick hit list and determined if there are items that could be done without the entire group. Several of the items should be removed because they need Public Works involvement and/or discussion for integration into the Master Plan. We decided that the “safer” rides could be an item to discuss with Mike Sullivan at the next meeting. Dave commented at the 2/17 meeting to leave “signage” on the list. Many of the items were being addressed by Dave through discussions with the schools or other groups.

March schedule

The March 2nd meeting is canceled. Instead, this meeting will be rescheduled to 3/23, so our two meetings in March will be 3/16 and 3/23.

Action Items

Update on Bike/Ped public forum in May via York Community Dialog session (Dave)

Minor changes to Survey (Scott)

Schedule meeting with Steve Burns and Committee (Scott)

KACTS (Dave)

Timeline and Completeness of Master Plan

Next Meeting

February 17, 2016, 1:00 pm., York Library.

Discussion Items for Next Meeting

Meeting with Mike Sullivan, Parks and Recreation

Possible Meeting with Steve Burns

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