

Attendees:

Donna Hayford
David McCarthy
Leah Drennan
Scott Hastings
Guests: Dr. Tom Albright

Topics Discussed:

- 1) Minutes of the May 4, 2016 meeting were approved. Dave will provide a copy of the minutes for posting on the Town Web site.
- 2) Dr. Tom Albright attended the meeting to express his support for the Committee's efforts and to provide his input on areas that the Committee should consider in developing the Master Plan.

First, he noted that Moulton Lane has fairly heavy pedestrian traffic. It has also become a cut-through for vehicles between York Street and Woodbridge Road. While the speed limit is marked as 25 miles per hour, most cars go considerably faster. The road design encourages this with its wide openings at both Woodbridge and York Streets. The stop sign at Woodbridge is also not in the driver sight line until they are almost upon it. Dr. Albright recommended the Committee include sidewalks and street redesign to slow traffic in the Master Plan.

Second, he noted that the intersection of Organaug and York Street remains a dangerous area. He noted that although the voters voted against a traffic signal at that location, no alternate safety features were installed. Drivers frequently do not yield to pedestrians in the cross walk. The Master plan should include measures to slow traffic and improve pedestrian safety. Crosswalks should also be designed to make clear to motorists when pedestrians are waiting to cross. He noted that there had been a child cyclist fatality in this area in the past.

Third, Donna noted that the Route 103 bridge has an uneven joint where the road meets the bridge. Dr. Albright commented that this could be a cause for hip injuries to cyclists. Another issue is people fishing and bridge jumping which often force cyclists and pedestrians onto the road.

The Committee will include the above in our analysis and recommendations.

- 3) The committee began to review the inputs received for the May 7th public forum on cycling and walking in York. Maps marked up by participants were reviewed. Scott is in the process of consolidating comments from the eight topical areas set up for the forum.

Scott will continue to consolidate comments and draft a summary of the public forum. These documents will be discussed at the June 1st Committee meeting and will be posted on the Town web site. The comments and the summary will be distributed to attendees who signed up at the forum, will be promoted through the Committee and York Community Dialog Facebook pages, and will be provided to the York Weekly as an article or letter to the editor.

Action Items:

Consolidate Public forum comments and create a summary document.

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

Approve Minutes from May 18, 2016 meeting.

Continue review of Public Forum results.

Update on preparations for the June 2nd bike rodeo.

Upcoming Calendar of Bike/Ped events:

May 21: York Voting Day – Committee booth with survey and educational materials

June 2: Bike Rodeo at CRES – set-up at 4:00; Rodeo from 5:30 to 7:30

June 4: National Trails Day - Hiking with Families – Mt A Kids' Corner– 1:00-2:00

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