

Bath Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
 Minutes: May 15, 2013

Present: Perian Moore, Rebecca Farnham, John Swenson, Steve Balboni, Robert McChesney, Tink Mitchell, Kevin Shute, Sharon Wilbraham, Colleen Fuller, Nancy Perkins

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| Chair Report | Bath has now been officially designated a Bicycle Friendly Community. | |
| Bike Safety Day and the Bike Rodeo | Scheduled for June 1. | Rebecca |
| Facebook | In the interest of attracting more attention, and hopefully participation with this group it was decided to launch a Facebook page. It was agreed that Perian would be the administrator. | Perian |
| Other Business | <p>There have been requests for more bike racks to be installed downtown. Locations: Bracketts Market, Waterfront Park, the Customs house, and a local dentist office. We would need to find funds to cover the cost.</p> <p>Brunswick vocational school is creating them for a project in that town. Perhaps we could use local facilities to create new racks as well. Options to explore: Bath Vocational School, Bath Industrial, Fournier, or</p> <p>Ask local resident: Eric Whitney.</p> <p>Perhaps we should acquire portable racks to be stored somewhere for use in the City of Bath, for special events.</p> | <p>Robert</p> <p>Kevin</p> |

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| Joint meeting with Bath Trails... | <p>Being Maine's only ACE team, we were given a \$1000 grant to spend on a banner for Front Street (\$400) which leaves us \$600 to spend. (There is a new cycle of funding each January, so we may be able to apply for more money next year.) Ideas for spending this years \$600:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Purchase four new bicycle racks (see previous page) 2. Organizing a fall Bicycle/Pedestrian/Hiking event 3. Develop MapApps for smartphones: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Walking points of interest: SPI architectural podcasts & Cemetery tour - Bath bicycle routes. 4. Purchase 3 foot rule signs | John Sharon |
| Fall event: Great Outdoors Weekend | <p>Working date: Last weekend in September.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Possible bike demo (Bath Cycle or LL Bean) - Bring your own Bike (tune up; Clean up your garage/get rid of or get on your bike sale) -Combine with healthy foods offerings - Gift Certificates (to encourage upgrading bikes?) | |

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| Street Survey Access Health | <p>Colleen Fuller, (Access Health), introduced the Street Survey initiative, which will be done by every municipality in Maine in the next 5 years as part of the Rural Active Living Assessment, (RALA). Some components can be done with resources online but there is a need for a few volunteers to help for a few hours, entering data to establish an accurate picture of the sidewalks, shoulders, traffic characteristics, pedestrian signage and walkways and barriers, etc.</p> <p>Peter and Andrew will be mapping the city streets and sidewalks with a new GPS unit this summer. Once this is done, Colleen will meet with Andrew to select streets to assess which would give a fair representation for the Street Survey.</p> <p>Having this data will provide powerful leverage for working with MDOT and ACE as we apply for more grants. We would be the first ACE Team in Maine to complete the RALA.</p> <p>We should make up a survey sheet for bike-ability as the current assessment is only for walking.</p> | Andrew Peter Colleen |
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Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 19