

Bike/Ped mtg

Date: June 19, 2013

Present: Robert McChesney, Peter Owen, Andrew Deci, John Swenson, Rebecca Farnham, Kevin Shute, Steve Balboni, Perian Moore, Colleen Fuller.

Mtg began at 3:05

- 1) The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
- 2) Rebecca reported that 116 helmets were given away at the Bike Rodeo . She added some lessons learned may improve the event going forward. Suggest that they improve promotion of the event. They had 41 registrants, but felt that there would have been more had there been better notification of the event. More volunteers are needed. Overall it was a good day.
- 3) John discussed the ability to generate an app that could be used at the cemetery to provide information on cemetery plots. A QR code used on the phone could access a data base of information documented about various plots. Narratives would have to be written to generate documentation.
- 4) Kevin has been contacted by a group of High School students from Duluth who are riding their bikes from Minnesota to Bath. They are anticipated to arrive July 11 or 12th. Kevin was looking for interest to accompany the riders the last leg into Bath.
- 5) Kevin reported that Eric Whinney and Fourniers are possible manufacturers of custom bike racks. As the committee is looking for new bike racks this is a possibility to provide unique racks for new locations.
- 6) Tink has looked into adaptive equipment to assist the extraction of injured cyclist or hikers on the Bath Trail. Due to the terrain extraction can be an issue and specialty equipment can be made available to assist in rescue of injured cyclist.
- 7) Perian and Rebecca discussed the planning for the Great Outdoors Weekend scheduled for September 28th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. The event is focused on those who are looking to add healthy activities into their lives. Perian provided a handout that outlined the "ACE Team" consisting of Main Street Bath, the Bike/Ped Committee and a Wellness Committee. Each group had activities to plan and coordinate. The next scheduled meeting for the planning group is June 21st.

- 8) Andrew reported that the City received a grant that will improve handicap ramps in the downtown. The work had its preconstruction meeting recently and the work is scheduled to begin in September. This project will improve handicap access to the downtown. In addition, Andrew informed the group that the city was approved for grant application for the Androscoggin to Kennebec bike trail. The city also has been approved for a grant to construct a sidewalk for the Oak Grove to Judkins neighborhood to provide safe sidewalk connections from the Maritime apartment area to the Middle School.
- 9) Colleen provided a handout for conducting an audit of selected streets. The audit is intended to indicate the walkability of a particular street or neighborhood. Colleen is looking for volunteers to complete the audits. She is looking for three teams and 11 segments have been selected for street audits.