

Bike/Ped Meeting Minutes for December 16, 2015

Meeting called to order at 3:01 pm.

Present: Travis Wolfel, Peter Owen, Robert McChesney, Andrew Deci, Steve Balboni, Maria Newcomb, Sharon Wilbraham, Mike Field, Jeannie Parker, John Swenson.

Kevin was out sick and Robert chaired the meeting.

1. November minutes were not received by committee.
2. Andrew provided information on the status of the Via-duct project that the state MDOT is preparing. The project goes out to bid in late December and will begin construction in June. The project does not include sidewalk improvements but Andrew is coordinating with Patrick Adams to have sidewalk improvements included in a separate project effort.
3. There was discussion about the Congress Avenue bridge deck replacement. The details were included in last month's meeting minutes. Peter suggested that the City contact the MDOT after the next public meeting to prompt the state regarding a sidewalk to be included with the bridge project.
4. Andrew handed out maps that provided location of priority sidewalks. Robert reported that he and others have rated many sidewalks.
5. Robert asked that the city report what handicap ramps are proposed as this should be an item discussed by the bike/ped committee.
6. Andrew reported that the proposed Commercial Street sidewalk had been scheduled for work in May of 2016 but will be moved to later in the summer or fall due to conflicts with the state work on the Via-duct.
7. The proposed Riverfront walkway conceptual design is underway and Andrew will provide information as it comes forward.
8. Safety Day – Jim Gillies contacted Kevin to inquire about volunteers for the first Saturday in June. Sharon mentioned that they run short on helmets every year. Mike will look into this.

9. Robert provided a list of streets that he proposes to be included for edge line treatment. This includes: Congress Ave – whole length, High – Center to Winnegance, Lincoln – whole length, Oak Grove – whole length, Whiskeag – whole length, Old Brunswick – Oak Grove to Mill Pond, State Road – Richardson to round-a-bout, Washington – Webber to Park.
10. Discussion about whether to change existing 3-foot signs. Decided to leave as it.
11. John reported that signs are up for the Whiskeag Trail.

Meeting adjourned at 3:56