Town Administrator's Advisory Committee on Pedestrian Bicycle Pathway Minutes of the Meeting on Wednesday, February 8, 2023

Members in Attendance: David McPherson, Chair; John Carroll, Vice Chair; Mark Emmons; George Slade; and Mary Jane Mastrangelo. Members absent: Ken Cheitlin.

Others in Attendance: Timothy Lydon, Michael Rausch, John Woodley, Betsy Woodley, Matthew Silvia, Claudia Geib, John York.

The meeting was called to order in the Pocasset Community Building at 6:01 p.m. by Mr. McPherson.

Public Comment: None

Approval of the minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the Committee's January 11, 2023 meeting was made by Mr. McPherson, and seconded by Mr. Carroll. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0. The email dated 11 January from Matthew Silva <msilvia@whoi.edu> to is to be attached.

Report to the Town Administrator. Members agreed the report incorporates the direction solidified at the last meeting. Mr. McPherson will deliver the report and hold discussion with the Town Administrator regarding a planned presentation to the Select Board meeting at their March 7 meeting. Mr. McPherson read the Summary and the closing of the report to attendees with the full text to be attached to the minutes. A discussion of further actions to be taken followed included how the corridor would be preserved for whatever needs the future holds. Rail banking was discussed.

Mr. McPherson offered a motion regarding the meeting with the Select Board. Members considered issues such as briefing the Select Board as to the challenges ahead; gaining further political support; how to use the remaining CPC and MassTrails funds in accordance with the appropriated purpose; should the project go to the Cape Cod Commission; continuing the advancement of Phase 1 and 4; custody of the corridor; beginning the process of removing the rails; being ready for questions the Select Board may ask. The motion was withdrawn for future consideration.

Mr. Lydon reported that for Phase 1 we will have 100% design by June 30. He reported changing the contract for Phase 4 has been a challenge. Regarding further work on both phases, Ms. Mastrangelo suggested we will be looking for direction from the Board and the Town Administrator.

Mr. McPherson said he was contacted by the Sandwich Bikeways Committee regarding the extension from the Canal to the Service Road and he replied with a personal letter of support.

Proposed future meeting dates: March 8, 2023 via zoom with a potential interim zoom meeting.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Emmons, seconded by Mr. Carroll. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Carroll

These Minutes were approved by a 3-0 vote of the members, with Mr. Cheitlin abstaining, on April 12, 2023.

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