

**Town Administrator's Advisory Committee on Pedestrian Bicycle Pathway  
Minutes of the Meeting on Wednesday, August 11, 2021**

**(Zoom Remote Public Access Meeting)**

Members in Attendance: David McPherson, Chair; Ken Cheitlin, Clerk; Mark Emmons; and George Slade (Members absent: John Carroll, Vice Chair)

Others in Attendance: Clelie Fielding; Timothy Lydon; and Michael Rausch

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mr. McPherson.

Public Comment: None

Approval of the minutes: *A motion to approve the minutes of the Committee's July 1, 2021 meeting was made by Mr. Emmons, and seconded by Mr. Cheitlin. The motion passed, 3-0 (Mr. Slade having not yet joined the meeting).*

Updates on design work - Phases 1, 2 and 4: Mr. Lydon reported that MassDOT assigned a new project manager, Joseph Yoo, to Phase 1. Mr. Lydon and VHB representatives met with Mr. Yoo on August 10, 2021. There is now a design public hearing on the 25% design of Phase 1 scheduled for September 15, 2021. The plan at this point is for an "in person" meeting in the auditorium of either the Bourne Middle School or Bourne High School at a time TBD. Mr. Lydon also reported that Mr. Yoo and Stephanie Upson (project manager for Phases 2 and 4) will be meeting with representatives of the MassDOT Rail and Transit Division next week in a "closed" meeting. We are told that the minutes from that meeting will be made available to us. With regard to Phase 2, Mr. Lydon suggested that the Cape Cod Commission be asked to do a feasibility study of the bike lane adjacent to Shore Road that will be necessary in Monument Beach. Mr. Lydon will reach out to Steve Tupper. As for Phase 4, Mr. Lydon reported that we are still waiting for MassDOT's preliminary review of the 10% submission. Once we have comments from that review, we can proceed with 25% design.

Discussion of future funding opportunities: Mr. McPherson advised the committee members that, with the passage of the Senate of the infrastructure bill, there will now be an effort to reconcile that bill to the INVEST In America Act passed by the House of Representatives. At this point, the Senate bill does not include the Member Designated Projects (including the funding for the Bourne Rail Trail) in the House's bill. Discussion then followed about the advisability of applying at the fall Bourne Special Town Meeting for additional CPA funding. *Mr. Cheitlin moved that the town of Bourne be advised to submit an application for CPA funding in the amount of \$225,000 or more to cover the cost to complete 100% design of Phase 1, 25% design of Phase 4, and, to the extent of any remaining proceeds, continued design of Phase 2. The motion was seconded by Mr. Emmons and passed 4-0.*

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Meeting of Cape bicycle committees: Mr. McPherson reported his attendance at a meeting of the Cape Cod Commission with advocacy and bicycle committees representatives in attendance. Nathan Robinson attended on behalf of the Friends of the Bourne Rail Trail. Mr. McPherson also advised the committee that, on August 23 and 24, 2021, the Cape Cod Commission will be holding a Cape Summit, a virtual event, that will feature the acting Secretary of the Department of Transportation, Jamey Tesler, as a speaker during the morning session on the 24<sup>th</sup>.  
[<https://onecape.capecodcommission.org/#1626956367830-5fc94c76-d1b9>]

Future meeting dates: August 11, 2021, September 8, 2021, and October 13, 2021, each at 6:00 p.m., at the Pocasset Community Building or as a Zoom remote public access meeting, depending on the state of pandemic-related restrictions.

*Adjourn: Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Emmons, seconded by Mr. Slade. The motion passed, 4-0 and the meeting was adjourned.*

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Cheitlin, Clerk

*These Minutes were approved by a 4-0 vote of the Members (with Mr. Carroll abstaining) on September 8, 2021.*