

**Town Administrator's Advisory Committee on Pedestrian Bicycle Pathway
Minutes of the Meeting on Wednesday, September 8, 2021**

(Zoom Remote Public Access Meeting)

Members in Attendance: David McPherson, Chair; John Carroll, Vice Chair; Ken Cheitlin, Clerk; Mark Emmons; and George Slade (Members absent: none)

Others in Attendance: Clelie Fielding and Timothy Lydon

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Mr. McPherson.

Public Comment: None

Approval of the minutes: *A motion to approve the minutes of the Committee's August 11, 2021 meeting was made by Mr. Slade, and seconded by Mr. Emmons. The motion passed, 4-0 (Mr. Carroll abstaining since he was not present for that meeting).*

Selection of Officers: *The nomination of Mr. McPherson to serve another year as Chair of the Committee was made by Mr. Cheitlin and seconded by Mr. Emmons. The motion passed, 5-0. The nomination of Mr. Carroll to serve another year as Vice Chair of the Committee was made by Mr. Emmons and seconded by Mr. Slade. The motion passed 4-0, with Mr. Carroll abstaining. The nomination of Mr. Cheitlin to serve another year as Clerk of the Committee was made by Mr. Emmons and seconded by Mr. Slade. The motion passed 5-0. Congratulations and thanks were offered to each of these lucky individuals!*

A brief discussion followed about the potential expansion of the Committee's charge. Mr. McPherson plans to include this matter on a fall agenda of the Committee.

Discussion of Phase 1 public hearing: Mr. Lydon reported that MassDOT's public hearing on the 25% design of Phase 1 of the BRT is scheduled for September 29, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. It is expected to be advertised by September 15, 2021. The meeting will be "virtual," rather than in person, due to the pandemic. A request was made for the Friends of the Bourne Rail Trail to assist with publicity of the meeting. Mr. Lydon will arrange for notification of the meeting to be sent to the property owners whose properties abut Phase 1.

Discussion of application for Community Preservation funding: The CPC will be meeting on September 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be "virtual," rather than in person, due to the pandemic. The town's request for \$225,000 for further funding of the design of the BRT is item #7 on the agenda.

Updates on design work: Mr. Lydon reported the possibility that MassDOT, per discussion at an internal meeting on August 18, 2021, may take over the design of Phases 2 and 3, in which case MassDOT's consultant, at MassDOT's expense, would undertake the design work. That

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consultant could even be VHB, the firm currently retained for that work by the town. With regard to Phase 4, the town is still waiting for comments from MassDOT on the 10% design submittal.

Future meeting dates: October 13, 2021, November 10, 2021, and December 8, 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. Slade, seconded by Mr. Carroll. The motion passed, 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Cheitlin, Clerk

These Minutes were approved by a 3-0 vote of the Members on October 20, 2021.