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Town Administrator's Advisory Committee on Pedestrian Bicycle Pathways
Minutes of the Meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2019

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Pocasset Community Building

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

Others in Attendance: Glenn Cannon; Michael Rausch; Paul Gately; Joan Hall; Jeffrey Mullin; John York; James Sullivan

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mr. McPherson.
2. Public comment: Mr. York stated his concern with the access to and maintenance of the existing Canal bicycle paths, noting the fact that they are a huge asset to the community, and called for better access. He asked that the Committee keep in mind other possible bikeways within the town, particularly those that might provide access to the canal pathways and the contemplated Bourne Rail Trail.
3. Approval of the minutes from March 20, 2019: *A motion to approve said minutes, with minor corrections, was made by Mr. Carroll and seconded by Mr. Slade. The minutes were approved 4-0, with Mr. Cheitlin, who was absent from that meeting, abstaining.*
4. Coordination of the May 1, 2019 Public Informational Meeting: Mr. Cannon reviewed his proposed agenda with the Committee. The members discussed revisions to that agenda and agreed that Mr. McPherson and Mr. Cannon would be the principal speakers, with Mr. Emmons handling the report on the MassTrails grant application. The need for visuals (maps of phases 1 and 2, as well as the overall Bourne Rail Trail) and certain handouts was discussed, and Mr. McPherson will prepare a PowerPoint presentation. Plans for outreach and publicity about the meeting were formulated, and specific invitations will be extended to certain town and state officials.
5. Discussion relative to the coordination of the Bourne Rail Trail Phases and the Falmouth Shining Sea Bike Path Extension: Mr. Cheitlin recapped his conversations with members of the Falmouth Bikeways Committee and the Friends of Falmouth Bikeways, and reported on the 3-2 vote by the Falmouth Board of Selectmen against proceeding at their Fall 2019 town meeting with a CPC application for design funds for the extension of the Shining Sea Bikeway to the Falmouth northernmost town line. The members then discussed the issue of phasing of the Bourne Rail Trail and decided to continue to focus for the time being on the design of Phases 1 and 2, rather than discussing the timing for the funding of design of the southernmost portion of the trail.
6. Discussion of Phase 1 work by VHB: Mr. Cannon reported that the contract with Vanasse Hangen Brustlin Inc. (VHB) was executed and that VHB has begun its work.

7. Next Meetings: Wednesday, May 1, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. at the Bourne High School Library, for the purposes of a run-through preceding the Public Informational Meeting; and Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Pocasset Community Building, for the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee.

9. Adjourn: *Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Emmons, and passed unanimously, 5-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Cheitlin, Clerk

These Minutes were approved by a 4-0 vote of the Members on June 26, 2019.