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Town Administrator's Advisory Committee on Pedestrian Bicycle Pathway
TOWN CLERK BOURNE

Minutes of the Meeting on Thursday, July 1, 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: Timothy Lydon; MJ Mastrangelo; Michael Rausch; and John York

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mr. McPherson.

Public Comment: None

Approval of the minutes: *A motion to approve the minutes of the Committee's May 19, 2021 meeting was made by Mr. Slade, and seconded by Mr. Cheitlin. The motion passed, 4-0 (Mr. Carroll having not yet joined the meeting).*

Updates on design work - Phases 1, 2 and 4: Mr. Lydon reported that MassDOT's public hearing on the 25% design of Phase 1 has been proposed for either August 11, 2021 or August 25, 2021. After the hearing, VHB will proceed with the 75% design. Phase 2 conceptual design is underway. With regard to Phase 4, there is a planned "meet and greet" with Kim Sloan, MassDOT's designee as project manager for that phase, with that meeting hopefully happening on July 12. A conceptual design of that phase has been completed. Mr. Cheitlin reported that Falmouth is now close to completing and submitting its 25% design for the Shining Sea Bikeway extension from County Road to the town line. That extension, along with Phase 4, were proposed for the 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), but were dropped in favor of a project in Mashpee that is closer to being "shovel ready."

Discussion of future funding opportunities: Mr. McPherson requested that Mr. Lydon report to the Committee at its next meeting on the status of expenditure of funding received to date. Mr. Lydon stated that he believed we were close to having spent all of last year's \$100,000 MassTrails grant. Our current MassTrails application for funding is still pending, with a decision expected "very soon." Discussion followed about seeking funds at the fall town meeting. Mr. McPherson reported that the federal Invest In America bill, having just passed the House of Representatives earlier in the day, contains \$14.7 million funding for the BRT as a Member Designated Project. If that funding remains in the bill that is passed by the Senate and signed by the President, the town will need a 20% match, some of which will hopefully be deemed satisfied by funding previously obtained by the town. As for the precise use of the funds, Mr. Lydon advised that discussions with MassDOT and DCR will be needed.

Discussion of town committee openings: Mr. McPherson announced that the town was seeking members for a re-formed Transportation Advisory Committee, including a bicycle/pedestrian representative and several at-large members. In addition, members are needed for the town's Traffic Safety Committee.

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. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Emmons. The motion passed, 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Cheitlin, Clerk

These Minutes were approved by a 3-0 vote of the Members on August 11, 2021.