

PBAC meeting 1-28-16

Introductions

Laurie reviewed transition away from pedestrian role

Complete Streets committee – 2 members from PBAC, 2 from Mass Transit, 2 professionals, 4 at large members – Heather reviewed rationale. Replaces Traffic & Transportation. Discussed allotment of pedestrian responsibility to CSC.

D. Cohen nom. Janet Heroux, for chair, Lisa seconded, unanimously elected.

D. Cohen nominated Laurie Harmon for vice-chair, Lisa seconded, unanimously selected.

Janet interested in serving as liaison to CSC, will ask Nat if he wants to continue.

Engineering update – project on Valley Rd. underway this spring, Bank Street also coming up. Walnut between schools is scheduled upcoming for design, will need complete streets treatment. Sidewalk repairs, curb ramps \$100,000 budget. Deanna would like to repave some side paths with a portion of this money – would like us to generate a list of most needed side path improvements. Immediate consensus that trail from Johnson Park School to Elm Court is a top priority. Will convert Terhune extension to bike/ped narrower path also as part of this scope.

Bike Masterplan – Jan. 20th focus group with businesses, including some route 1 businesses – interested in ability to get to town via bicycle (drop off some bike maps to Hyatt). Marriott also expressed interest. Tow path closes at night, which is a problem (state park dawn to dusk). Whole Earth is doing a lot to promote biking (random acts of kindness, punch card). Raoul Momo very supportive. Some employees have two jobs. Education, helmets would be appreciated. Get bike & ped safety questions into DMV written test. Would contribute to bike racks in central locations. Meeting with PB masterplan committee mid feb, then steering committee in March, then full Planning Board.

Discussed converting parking meter posts to bike racks in Philly – would that work here?

Redesign process beginning for Nassau Street scape. LRK hired. Will include both sides of street throughout CBD

Assignments

Web & Email – Steve will continue

SRTS – Lisa will continue

Events Coordinator - Laurie

Secretary - David

Publicity for events and News – Martin

Bike Friendly Community – Laurie & Janet

Janet questioned value of Bike Friendly Community – all felt it helps motivate improvements. Publicity through local Media – Huck Fairman at Packet. Deanna would like to see if it might be possible to suggest an ongoing series of articles

Bike share expansion moving a little slowly – University putting more station on campus, both in spring and again in fall. Zagster representative in touch with municipality. University task force working on it and Deanna has been attending.

Safe Routes to School grant project proceeding with replacement traffic signals. Working with Parsons Brinkerhoff. Harrison-Franklin & Harrison-Hamilton. Walking School Bus app in use. Police safe neighborhood unit working on. Schools pursuing Sustainable Princeton for Schools and they get points for SRTS plans.

Education – vehicular cycling class through recreation dept.?

Council Goals – Adopting Bike Masterplan high priority. Bike education (funding from Human Services, local businesses?) Police grants that might apply to safety equipment?

2016 Events –

- A. Communiversity is Sunday, April 17th from 1-6 pm. PBAC has submitted an application for a booth to share with local bike advocacy groups.
- B. Ciclovia application has been submitted for Sunday, June 12th for closure of Quaker Road from 1-4 pm. (12:30-4:30 for set-up, clean-up)
- C. Bike Rodeo to be scheduled by Human Services and Princeton Police Department. It is usually a Saturday in May from 10-1. PBAC attends one or two planning meetings, and assists on day of with helmet fittings.
- D. D. Mayor's Ride to be scheduled. Discuss whether to change route, possibly incorporating new bike facilities. It might be nice to have a route through town to celebrate completion of the Bike Master Plan and increase visibility for the event. (Would require more police involvement, since we would not be restricting the route to sidepaths)
- E. National Trails Day June 4th. A joint ride has been proposed along the East Coast Greenway. Silvia Ascarelli of WW and Liz Usmiani from REI will be planning this event, and would like our support, at least with publicity. Collaboration with WWBPA, LHT, PBAC, ECG, and REI.
- F. NJ Bike/Walk Summit is scheduled for Saturday, February 27th at Princeton University, at the Carl Fields Center. Great networking opportunity.
- G. Walk to School Day is October 5th.
- H. May is Bike Month. GMTMA has a sign-up for Bike to Work Week at Communiversity. We help publicize any events and programs they may have.

Feb 22nd – meeting of bike subcommittee of GMTMA 5:00 – office on Rozsel Road.