



Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee

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MEETING MINUTES

The **Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee** met on Monday, September 11, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lower Meeting Room, Administration Building, 149 Main Street, Watertown, MA. Present: Ethan Davis, chair, Andrew Compagna, Sheila Fay, Jesse Hammond, Tricia Hopkins, Janet Jameson, Maria Saiz, Sam Scoppettone Visitors: Jeanne Trubek, Nidhi Gulati (Livable Streets), Iviva Manin, Caroline Bays

The following are the meeting minutes:

Minutes from August meeting were approved.

2. Faire on the Square: Ethan will be away. Helmets to give away. Andy has map "What's Happening in Watertown?" Blow up as poster and handouts about the different projects. Nedi will help with handout with Greenways, co-brand with Livable Streets. Jesse & Jeanne created topics and areas of town to interact with people. Create a sign-in sheet with which part of town need most attention – so we can contact them as area is being worked on. Create survey with same questions and give people Survey Monkey tinyURL. Sheila created handout with info about protected bike lanes, work with Sam to create handout. Andy's Map: blown up as poster, with additional material. Andy & Nedi work on Sheila & Sam work on handout about protected bike lanes. Jesse: Poster with potential topics, then geographic areas will be listed with map poster, and 3 questions would be on sign up sheet. Nedi will create.

Have things done by Monday September 18th, to Gideon. Gideon will bring 2 easels. Pick up from outside Gideon's office Saturday morning. Canopy: Ethan will ask Stephanie if can borrow one. Helmets & Banner need to be picked up from Gideon: Oliver will pick up and drop off.

Schedule: 9:30-11:30 Sheila & Maria 1:30-1:30 Trisha & Andy 1:30 – end: Jesse & Sam

2. Table at Watertown Farmer's Market: Gideon, Sheila, Nedi will be there to man table. Bike ride after 6.
3. Discussion of Implementation Recommendations in Final Report of Arsenal Corridor Study. Executive summary available to look at. Sam interested in the Arsenal/Market street area, has Commuter Rail Station, also lots of new amenities. Needs redesign. DCR hasn't responded.
4. New Business:
 - a. Mt Auburn St redesign: group has met with MassDOT to clarify things, but waiting for response. Then can move forward with community meetings.
 - b. Changing the speed limit: Sam sent message to police & town manager. Gideon will follow up to find out what is happening.
 - c. Need to have a consistent message as a committee of what we want for Mt Auburn. Next meeting discuss what our option would preferably be. Evaluate the 4 options. Sam will present the options.
 - d. Community Path: the Community Path is in capital improvement plan but needs advocacy. Put on next agenda to come up with letter. Preferred alignment is on the DPW website.
 - e. Victory Field street: end of Marian St, make it a pedestrian/bicycle connector. Bring up at next meeting.

- f. Complete Streets: prioritization process, have put out a RFP, being finalized in town.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY OCTOBER 2, 2017, 7:30PM, ROOM: LOWER MEETING ROOM.

