TRANSPORTATION IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES March 24, 2015

Present: Gail Gallerie, Allan Bowdery, Shelly Wright, Sally Rhoads, Harry Ellis, Mark Sherman, Ariana Basco, Kelsey Ryan, Brienna Perez and Jesse Ginsburg

I. Chair, Gail Gallerie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Introductions were made to our three SUNY student representatives: Jesse Ginsburg, Brienna Perez, and Kelsey Ryan.

- II. Minutes of January 27th meeting. Sally moved, seconded by Harry to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously.
- III. Chair's Report: Clarification was made that Bike/Ped Committee and Transportation Implementation Committee do not fall under the requirements of the open meetings law.

 TIP is under review again and by UCTC. There is concern that the promised 7 million dollars for New Paltz projects may be at risk again.

IV. Committee Reports:

B/P there was no report

Loop: UCAT reports show ridership is down, but overall the Loop is a success story. It was agreed that increasing ridership is a must.

Brienna suggests the Loop schedule needs updating as to locations and times which have changed from the printed schedule.

V. Old Business

A. Updates

1. Main/Manheim Improvements/DOT funding.

Tom Weiner was absent, but as the Chair reported, TIP funding priorities are again under review.

2. Adjustments to Manheim/ Main Traffic signal, adding left turn arrow.

Gail read Tom's report. Mark and Sally pointed out they were not asking about the green arrow for left hand turns

from S. Manheim onto Main, but rather were requesting a simultaneous left hand turn arrow from N. Manheim on to Main Street. The committee received Tom's report via email after the meeting.

3. S. Putt project

The Sunoco station has agreed to move exit south, but the exit will not coincide with the Shop-Rite plaza exit.

4. Intermodal Transportation hub

Allan reported that since his last report, the County committee has moved quickly with a very detailed analysis of potential station locations in New Paltz. The potential location has been narrowed to three: the former STS site next to the Park and Ride lot, Village Hall and the current bus station. A more detailed analysis of the 3 locations is now occurring and a recommendation will be forthcoming. Sally brought to the committee's attention that the lot planned for parking behind 125/127 Main St. may be a part of a plan to be presented to the Village PB

5. Bus shelters/Village

Ariana reported on the ongoing difficulty of getting land owner commitments for placement. Rather than trying to get all committed she is going to go with those she can get immediately. It seems some incentive is desired by one property owner.

6. Grates and crosswalk striping updates

According to Tom Weiner, DOT presumes the Village owns the grates on Main St. within the Village. Drainage grates outside the Village on Rt. 299 are DOT's responsibility. Those outside the Village will be assessed and determination of upgrade will be made by DOT. All members received via email Tom's report that was read by the Chair. An additional note: Sally forwarded Tom's email regarding Village ownership to Village DPW on 3/26.

The Village DPW Supt. responded that DOT's presumption of Village ownership is incorrect.

7. Center Striping at Main St./Wurts Ave.

Ariana reported that the Village DPW will move the requested striping north as soon as the weather is warm enough for striping to adhere.

VI. New Business

A. Carmine Liberta Bridge

Gail has been appointed, along with the BPC Chair, Deputy Mayor and two other community representatives, to the county's technical advisory committee to work with the County on design and details of a new bridge over the Wallkill. This is only the second time such an advisory committee has been used by the County for a construction project.

The name will remain. The County has assured a temporary bridge will be built while construction of the new permanent bridge occurs. Whether the temporary bridge will remain as a pedestrian/bike bridge has yet to be decided.

The bridge will be two lanes

B. Village Parking Proposals

Sally reviewed the status of Village Board action on the proposals for parking in the Village. TIC members wanted to discuss #1 & #9 Two hour parking on residential streets, #2 Alternate side parking on Millrock, N. Oakwood, Grove and Church St., between N. Front St. and Broadhead, #3 & #5 Relinquish Post Office Parking lot and small lot between Church St. and N. Chestnut.

Sally reported no decisions have been made on any of the proposals listed. She did share that the Village's revenues for the P.O. lot are approximately 50% of the costs to rent and monitor. While metered parking is not supposed to be a revenue generator, it is supposed to be breakeven. She assured the committee they would be alerted when these issues were considered by the Village Board

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05. Next meeting is April 28th.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Rhoads