Transportation Implementation Committee

Minutes: Meeting of Nov 15, 2016

Attendees:

Gail Gallerie, Mark Sherman, Josh Tabak, Tom Weiner, Allan Bowdery, Harry Ellis

Gail called the meeting to order a 7:01.

The minutes of the October meeting as submitted were approved unanimously on a motion by Mark and seconded by Harry.

Chairs Report:

Gail conveyed to the town board our thanks for their speedy action on the safety issues on rte 299 west of the Wallkill as well as or recommendations on a speed reduction on 208 and a stop sign at the corner of Springtown and Mountain Rest as passed and reconfirmed in our meetings of Sept and Oct.

There is no Bike Ped report, no loop ridership reports, and nothing new on the county work planned for S. Putt.

Gail made contact with Shelly Wright to try to schedule a meeting with the appropriate student leaders regarding the loop bus. Shelly also confirmed that it is the intention of SUNY to install a sidewalk along rte 208 between the west entrance to the college and Southside Avenue, but that other priorities will come first and it depends on funding.

The Carmine Liberta bridge overlook was opened last week.

After a discussion of pedestrian inattention, Gail will approach the bike ped committee about jointly publicizing the difficulty that drivers have in seeing pedestrians so that pedestrians are more aware of the issue.

Harry researched the use of center line rumble strips and found that studies have shown that there is a substantial reduction in head on accidents in general and even a greater reduction in those causing serious or fatal injuries. The cost of installing is about \$0.60 per foot. Tom said that the state would be installing the on all two lane state highways where the speed limit is 45mph or higher.

Gail thanked and teased Mark for his unceasing work in safety issues and for his 13 years of service on the committee and its predecessor as this is his last meeting. Mark promised not to forget us and said that he would probably be coming to some future meetings.

Mark making his last motion seconded by Harry, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10.