Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee Meeting Minutes Mon Nov 28, 2022

PRESENT

Mark Eis Dan Lipson Judy Mage
Daniel Meeter Stephen O'Shea Janelle Peotter
Michael Reade

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm.

Next meeting will be on January 23, 2023, at 7pm via Zoom.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. The new **Ulster County facility** (call center, emergency services center) on Paradies Lane: We should get pedestrian / bicycle / bus access built into the design as early as possible Congratulate Jen Metzger and make the case for this. Make an appointment? Involve UCAT right from the start. Dennis Doyle in county planning office too.

2. Letter to Chief Lucchesi

Dan Lipson will finalize and send the letter to Chief Lucchesi. This letter raises concerns about crosswalk safety in New Paltz and asks the police department for more enforcement. It also shares that members of our committee have seen police cars drive through crosswalks without stopping for pedestrians.

- 3. **Climate Action Plan Survey** includes important transportation questions. We need more people to participate. See attached flyer with QR code to take survey. You can also get there by going to www.surveymonkey.com/r/NPCAPSurvey
 - Let's spread the word about this survey!
- 4. Janelle Peotter and Dan Lipson will meet in two days (Wed Nov 30) with the **Sustainability Living Learning Unit students** for their academic class taught by Prof. Andrea Frank about **bike/ped advocacy on/near campus**.
- 5. Radar speed signs on 299 entering into New Paltz.

See if Neil can delegate to other town board members. Encourage him to speak with the Marbletown supervisor. Michael Reade will find about the one in Highland on Old New Paltz Road.

6. Pedestrian safety on **Route 32 North** by **Zero Place** at Mulberry Street

Tim likes the designs Steve O'Shea shared with him. Tim will share them with Sandra and Lee Z from the DOT's traffic and safety team and DOT engineer Dave C, as well as the county UCTC folks, and ask them how this could be done.

7. Status of **shared bicycles** a dozen years ago?

They ended up at the reuse center.

Craig Shankles organized it (he used to own PDQ printing).

The project fizzled out. It was too much to maintain. And the bicycles were too big and heavy, making them not adequate for bicycling around our hilly town.

- 8. Contact village liaison and Neil as town liaison about attending our meeting.
- 9. **Organize a bicycle ride to grocery shop!** Janelle will send out information about an event involving bicycling to numerous local shops in town. While at some of these shops, the group can push for better bike parking infrastructure...
- 10. Dan L. inquired whether anyone else would be interested in becoming the chair of this committee. He will continue to serve as acting chair but would welcome a replacement if anyone is willing and able.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34.

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