

Bicycle Pedestrian Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2019

PRESENT

Dan Lipson, Janelle Peotter, Michael Reade, Christine Markman, Judy Mage

Meeting called to order at 7:07pm.

AGENDA

1. Bike/Ped website on town website

Dan will contact Kathy Preston to ask to change the name of our committee on the Town of New Paltz website to the Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee.

Dan will also contact Kathy Preston to ask her to add the 2013 Village Complete Streets Resolution to our webpage.

2. Letter to Pat Ryan

Dan will email and mail the joint letter to the new County Executive Pat Ryan.

3. Christine Markman: Cycling Without Age

See cyclingwithoutage.org for this program that transports the elderly on the front of trishaws (tricycles with pilots in the back doing the peddling and elderly passengers in front. Her hope is to build an affiliation with the town rather than with a care center. The pilots are trained, have waivers. The people who ride the bikes have waivers. There's liability coverage. The trishaws are not cheap – they cost around \$7,000. She's going to begin to crowdfund to buy the first trishaw.

She wants to have high school students volunteer (as a résumé-building activity) to be pilots. The River to Ridge Trail would be an ideal location.

4. Update on NYBC Complete Streets Training

Janelle is coordinating to secure a date for such a training.

Newburgh has similarly asked for such a training, so we could double-up. Gardiner would be a good location.

5. Update on Complete Streets resolutions for town and village

Janelle presented to the joint board meeting, wanting to get into the weeds. But board members weren't interested in the details. They asked what we want passed so they can pass it.

We should make a recommendation for a joint adoption. We could revamp Kingston's resolution for New Paltz's. We should do the training first before writing the policy.

6. Seek permission from the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT) to approve a crosswalk across Main Street in front of the bus station

Let's write Tim/Neil to request a curb cut in front of Sunoco so that we can request the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT) install a crosswalk. It's an accident waiting to happen.

Adjourned 8:21pm.

Next meeting:

Mon Jun 24

Then

Mon Jul 29 (5th Monday)

Mon Aug 26

Mon Sep 23

Mon Oct 28

Mon Nov 25

[No Dec meeting]