

**Bicycle Pedestrian Committee  
Minutes – September 20, 2011  
At Town Hall**

**Meeting called to order at 7:02**

**Present**

*Village Reps*

Justin Dates  
Matthew Flusser  
Judy Mage

*Town Reps*

Jacqueline Andrews  
Clark Peaslee  
Alan Stout  
Bill Weinstein

*Town & Village Liaisons*

Ariana Basco, Village  
Jane Ann William, Town

*Visitors*

Richard Kleiger  
Rick Parisio  
Shirley Warren

**Announcements**

Village rep position remains open

**Public Input**

**Old Business**

1. **Bicycle Parking at Thruway Park & Ride.** No news on this.
2. **Highland Rail Trail / Wallkill Valley Rail Trail link.** Update from Bill. *Hopefully soon.*
3. Possible connector path from BOCES to Agway. Route 32N issues. Ariana: She doesn't understand why it's taking so long to follow the title. She continues to pursue it, for instance via email to Jerry Callahan, with copies to the Village clerk and mayor. It does look like the Village owns it.
4. **South Putt project.** Justin reported that Ulster County put out an SOQ for interested engineering firms to do the work. The project will create six-foot shoulders on both sides of South Putt, from Route 299 (Main Street) to Route 32. Hudson Valley Associates is the engineering firm now in contract review. Hurricane Irene may put it on the back seat, due to damage elsewhere in the county. The project allocation is slated to be approximately \$1.3M. Justin spoke with Dennis Doyle and an engineer with DPW. The process was from the beginning a county project.
5. **Main Street crosswalks.** We expect to see at least one crosswalk on Main Street.
6. **Clearing snow and ice from sidewalks.** Jackie Andrews reports that she and Matt Flusser have a date with the town highway superintendent and building inspector. They haven't heard from the village. Ariana will follow up. Shirley Warren: Streetplows cover sidewalks that have been cleared. Jane Ann Williams: under New York State law, landowners can be fined for not clearing, but when cleared can be fined for slip and fall (NYS law). May be legally safer to leave it unshoveled. Judy Mage, Ariana, and Bill discussed meeting next week.

7. **Wilmorite Project (SUNY New Paltz campus extension)**.. Dan Guenther met with John McEnrue, Director of Facilities and Design for the college, to ask what they're planning vis a vis bicycling for the campus redesign. Currently there are no real bike lanes going through the campus, and none proposed. Dan: This seems ridiculous. There ought to be a response from the committee to move them along. Mr. McEnrue seems quite reasonable. Kevin Caskey: it's hard to bike through the campus core, easier to ride the periphery. Some thought ought to be given about how to achieve that goal. Future plans for the campus redesign include keeping off campus. They don't want it to look like a parking lot, for the benefit of prospective students.
8. **New Paltz survey. (Jackie Andrews, Justin Dates)** Discussed, inconclusively. Distributing the survey has yet to be resolved. With the water bill? At key public locations? Jackie distributed a draft of the survey for members comments.
9. Climate Action Coalition's/Dan Guenther's proposal to Village Board. Discussed..
10. Movin' Green Day: Alan Stout will represent the committee.

#### **New Business**

1. **2012 budget.** Bill will ask Toni to allocate the same amount as in the last budget, which was \$900, most of which we have not used.
2. **Review of bike-ped committee display for local expo's, fairs and other public assemblies.** Shelved.
3. **Rail trail crosswalk (Judy Mage).** Why aren't the stripes on the rail-trail crossing? Bill will draft letter to Jason, cc to Bleu Terwilliger.

Adjourned at 9:01.

Next Meeting –November 15, 2011, Village Hall