



# BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**DATE:** Thursday, May 19, 2022

**TIME:** 6:30 PM

**PLACE:** Town Offices **ADDRESS:** 50 Billerica Road **ROOM:** 200

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## Meeting Minutes

Members Attending: T. Gazda, R. Klinkhammer, R. Schneider, M. Carignan, J. Kelsey, D. Antonelli,

Members Absent: S. Pustell, J. Haouchine

Public Present: D. McNurland

### 6:30 Public Input

- D. McNurland reported that the contractor for Phase 2B of the BFRT requested a completion extension to November of 2022 due to the curing time for staining and anti-graffiti coatings going beyond the spring planting season. Plantings will be done in autumn. Also, the Friends spring newsletter should be out prior to Memorial Day and that there are still easement issues on the Lowell extension of the trail.

### 6:45 Announcements

- T. Gazda reported that he attended the Retirement Party for Gary Persichetti and met the new Director of DPW and Facilities, Christine Clancy. He invited her to consider attending a future BPAC meeting and she indicated possibly in June. T. Gazda to follow up on that invitation.
- T. Gazda also reported that Chelmsford has a new Town Engineer, Anthony Reppucci, formerly the Assistant Town Engineer in Andover.
- T. Gazda passed around a flyer for the Select Board Listening Session on Town Center Improvements to be held at the CCA on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.

### 7:00 Status of Bicycle Pump Replacement (J. Kelsey)

- The new pump was installed on Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>. There seems to be an issue with users not replacing the hose on the hook.

### 7:10 BFRT Logo Sign at Brickhouse Trail Entrance

- T. Gazda passed around a hand sketch of what the area for the BFRT Logo sign and bike racks would look like. This was based on measurements he and J. Kelsey made on April 30<sup>th</sup> while looking over the site. The general dimensions of the area are 25 feet long by 12 feet wide with a rounded portion near the location of the driveway entrance where the sign would be located so as to not overly narrow the driveway entrance. A larger and more detailed sketch will be made and sent over to the DPW for a professional detailed design.

### 7:30 Update on Brick Donation Program for Carol Cleven Park (S. Pustell)

- S. Pustell was unable to attend on short notice. No update.

#### **7:45 Review Status of E-Bike Legislation**

- R. Schneider did not have any update on the status of the legislation. Will look into it further.
- J. Kelsey found a couple of links on the State House website that indicate a new draft H3457 was reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation and referred to the House Ways and Means Committee. A new draft from the Senate S2309 was reported out of the committee on Transportation and referred to the Senate Ways and Means Committee.
- Links to the versions of the bills are:
- <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/H4676>
- <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/192/S2809>
- Link to Mass Bike:  
<https://www.massbike.org/ebikes#:~:text=Current%20E%2DBike%20Law%20in%20Massachusetts&text=Motorized%20bicycle%20riders%20must%20be,paths%2C%20trails%2C%20and%20sidewalks.>
- BPAC will need to review these versions and seek opportunity to offer input on both versions.

#### **8:00 Approval of Meeting Minutes from Regular Session on March 17, 2022**

- A motion to approve the minutes of April 28, 2022 as amended was made by J. Kelsey and seconded by M. Carignan. Motion carries. Abstention by D. Antonelli.
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#### **8:25 Updates:**

- Trail Maintenance Program (B. Schneider)
  - There is still graffiti in the tunnel and under the I-495 bridges. Apparently Mass DOT had not responded to a March 20, 2022 request to address this matter. T. Gazda will contact Mass DOT again on this matter.
  - R. Schneider reported that overall the trail is clean. He has observed some individuals on the trail picking up trash.
- BPAC Account Status (T. Gazda)
  - Invoices totaling \$280.00 from United Site Services will be paid out 5/20/22.
  - Current BPAC Account Balance is \$3,322.50 .
- BPAC email report (R. Klinkhammer)
  - No emails Received. There have been some access, forwarding and resetting password issues with the account. R. Klinkhammer will contact K. Bruce in the Town Manager's office to find out what may be the problem.

#### **8:35 Future Meeting Dates and New Agenda Items**

- Next Regular Session: June 16, 2022 (6:30 PM)
- New items for future meetings -
- Dates and agenda for future meetings/work sessions

#### **8:45 Adjournment**

- A motion to adjourn was made by M. Carignan and seconded by J. Kelsey. Unanimous vote.

**Next Regular Session: June 16, 2022 (6:30 PM)**