Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Committee

September 22, 2016 7:30 p.m. 50 Carby Street

Committee Members Present: Michael Kraft (Chair); Bob Rich (Secretary) Steven Olanoff; George Lester; Virginia Lester; Abigail McCabe; Paul Sicard

Committee Members Absent: Todd Korchin; Enkelejda Klosi

Resident Attendees: Rory Laughna (3 Noanet Circle), Tom Prior (36 Fieldstone Road)

Meeting called to order at 7:40 pm

Committee Reorganization

Tabled until October 2016 meeting to await new members expected to be appointed.

Westwood Day - September 24, 2016:

The majority of the meeting was spent discussing plans for Westwood Day. The committee will host a table in Row 2, Space 95 and will distribute free bicycle helmets and flyers from the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Committee, Mass Bike, Bikes Not Bombs and Hale Reservation. We will also have poster boards of town maps and solicit ideas from members of the community and solicit volunteers to join the committee.

Police Update - Paul Sicard

The project to survey sidewalks on Gay Street and High Street (Millbrook to Pond Street) is ongoing.

There will be a Forbes/Canton Road resident meeting on November 2nd to review data on how traffic calming measures are working and get input on next steps.

The town is still working with the state on placing a Right Turn on Red sign at the traffic light at Blue Hill Drive and University Avenue.

East Street bridge accidents are still a concern.

Planning Board and Community and Economic Development Update – Abby McCabe

There was an Islington development task force meeting on September 8th to review and discuss concept plans that have been submitted by Petruzziello Properties. First review met threshold criteria and developers came back on September 15th to present to the Islington Task Force. The next meeting will be on October 12th or October 13th, the exact date and time will be confirmed shortly.

Del Frisco's Grill will present to the planning board at the October 4th meeting to discuss their intentions to have a restaurant at University Station.

DPW Update: (via Todd Korchin email)

Mike Jaillet attended a ceremony yesterday at the State House and received a certificate for being one of 11 communities in the Commonwealth to be awarded funding for Complete Streets (\$400,000). This will be the funding used to construct the High Street sidewalk from Pond to Millbrook, enhancements to other sections of sidewalk along Route 109, and the bicycle lane markings along Blue Hill Drive. TEC is making significant progress and I will look to have them attend an upcoming Ped Bike Meeting as they progress through the design stages.

We have set a date of November 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at the Downey School to host the next Canton, Everett, Forbes traffic calming meeting. This meeting will present the new traffic, speed, and volume counts and weigh them against the data taken before the project was implemented.

We have installed a double yellow line at the Gloucester/Hartford Street intersection with hopes to align turning off of Hartford.

Old Business:

The August meeting minutes were approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.