

Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Committee Notes

Date:	10/27/2011
Meeting start:	7:40 p.m.

In attendance:			
Nora Loughnane	Chris Giovino	Steve Olanoff	George Lester
Virginia Lester	Suzanne Becker	Wendy Muellers	Steve Harte
Kela Klosi			

Routine Business

Minutes from September were approved.

Updates from Previous Meeting

1. The bike rack location document will be updated tonight. We need to follow up on the installation of the bike racks on school property.
2. Lighting levels at crosswalks have not been measured yet.
3. Wendy will look into contacting Needham Bikes about having a member of their committee speak to us at the November meeting.
4. Steve Harte has not yet spoken to Dave Burnes. He will connect with Dave by the end of the week.
5. John Craine did attend the traffic calming meeting. He will report on the meeting at the November meeting.

New Business

1. Visitors from Dedham: Carol Hills, member of the Dedham Sustainability Advisory Committee, and Ginny LeClair, Environmental Coordinator from Dedham. They shared some of their efforts to begin making Dedham more pedestrian and bike-friendly. There is now a short section of East Street that has a marked bike lane. Our committee shared our efforts, successes and “wish-list” for future work. We discussed ways that we might work together on projects of common interest. For example, both towns have submitted an application for a Sustainable Communities Place-Based grant. High Street and Washington Street are two streets that would make obvious sense for connecting bike lanes between the two towns. One topic of discussion centered around a feasible way to develop a bike corridor connecting Dedham and Westwood in the area of the East Street Rotary.
2. Suzanne Becker shared that Martha Jones will conduct a Walk to School Wednesday next week.

Action Needed for Next Meeting

1. Steve Harte will send the updated bike rack location document to all members.
2. Wendy will speak to the DPW before she heads out to measure lighting levels so that we can make this an efficient process.
3. Steve Harte will connect with the planning committee for Westwood Day.
4. Wendy Muellers will invite Needham Bikes to attend our November meeting, which will be on November 17.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Next meeting will be the the 17th of November at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Harte