

# Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Committee Notes

<b>Date:</b>	9/29/2011
<b>Meeting start:</b>	7:40 p.m.

<b>In attendance:</b>			
John Craine	Chris Giovino	Steve Olanoff	George Lester
Virginia Lester	Suzanne Becker	Wendy Muellers	Steve Harte
Paul Sicard			

## **Routine Business**

Minutes from July were approved.

## **Updates from Previous Meeting**

1. Bike Rack application update. 18 racks in all have been ordered. A few bike racks will be installed the DPW. Most of the additional bike racks that have been ordered will be installed by the school department. They may hire a contractor to install the bike racks. Wendy and Steve Olanoff will follow up with Ken Aries so that we are aware when the contractor will be on site.
2. The funding for the Washington Street MPO Grant has been lost.
3. Wendy will continue to look into contacting Needham Bikes about having a member of their committee speak to us, possibly at the November meeting.
4. We have not yet measured lighting levels at crosswalks in town. We discussed the condition of streetlights throughout town. Doing this inventory would give the town an idea of where updated, LED lights could be installed.

## **New Business**

1. Nora Loughnane has filed an application for a Sustainable Communities Place-Based Grant. This would provide funding for a pedestrian and bicycle planning project. Dedham has also filed a similar application. This could provide an opportunity for some cross-town collaboration if both towns were awarded a grant.
2. Paul Sicard shared progress on traffic calming in the Dover Road area. That area serves a large volume of traffic, particularly during the morning commute. Phase I of the project may include raised speed humps, median strips, and landscaping. The goal is not necessarily to reduce the volume of traffic but to slow down the traffic. The next meeting is at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 26 at the high school auditorium.
3. It would be nice to have a new trail map showing the spaces available for hiking in town. This is something we would like to explore.
4. Suzanne Becker shared information the NuRide program. Information can be found at [www.commute.com](http://www.commute.com).

## **Action Needed for Next Meeting**

1. Steve Harte will send the bike rack location document to Wendy for updating.
2. We will plan to measure lighting levels by our November meeting. Wendy will speak to the DPW before she heads out to measure lighting levels so that we can make this an efficient process.
3. One thing to think about is a bike event that we could plan for Westwood Day. We could also distribute information about pedestrian and bike information. Steve Harte will look into connecting with the planning committee for this event.
4. John Craine will attend the Dover Road area traffic calming meeting on October 26.
5. Steve Olanoff will invite Virginia LeClair to attend our October meeting.
6. 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 27rd of October at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Harte