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Complete Streets Committee Meeting Minutes

MEETING DATE: July 29, 2016
TIME SCHEDULED: 12:00 P.M.
LOCATION: Planning Office
MEMBERS PRESENT: Ellen Moshier, Chair (at large)
Alison Demong (Selectmen)
Gary Schaffer (Recreation)
Glenn Ferguson (Highway) (12:45)
MEMBERS ABSENT: Patrick Campbell (Planning)
Kevin Cafferty (Pathways)
TOWN EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Chris Dilorio, Town Planner

Agenda

Member Moshier moved to approve the draft agenda. The motion was approved 3-0.

Sidewalk Prioritization Plan

The Committee discussed researching some additional data from the Traffic Study Committee, accident and speeding information from the Police and Fire Departments. The Committee would also like to speak with bicyclists about the routes they take understanding there is a difference between racing, recreational and kids use. This data should help the committee in the review of the proposed projects. The Prioritization Plan should not encourage the development of a dangerous situation putting pedestrians and cyclists in conflict with vehicles.

Some cities and towns are developing "sharrows" where a street is marked to indicate that bicyclists belong in the travel lane with vehicles (the roadway is to be shared use). The committee did not think this was a viable option for Norwell roadways as speeds are too high and the roadways themselves too narrow.

Stantec will forward a preliminary list of projects for review at the next Complete Streets meeting.

Current Roadway Construction

There is no widening of the roadways happening during the paving work. Fog lines will be painted where there are pedestrian amenities. 11 foot wide lanes are adequate for vehicles.

Forest Street and River Street Pathway Committee Projects

The Pathways Committee is finalizing plans for a pathway extending from the end of Forest Street to Norris Reservation and the Town Common. Intersection work at Dover/River will slow traffic by forcing vehicles to slow when making turns.

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Member Moshier moved to approve the minutes. The motion was approved 4-0.

Member Demong moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:15. The motion was approved 4-0.

I certify that the above minutes were reviewed and approved by majority vote by the Complete Streets Committee.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ellen Rustin", is written over a horizontal line.

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