

BICYCLE PATHWAY AD HOC COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES 9/21/2016 7PM  
ANNEX CONFERENCE ROOM  
CHARLESTOWN TOWN HALL 4540 SOUTH COUNTY TRAIL CHARLESTOWN RI.

1. CALL TO ORDER FAITH LABOSSIERE
2. ROLL CALL Faith LaBossiere Sherry Drude Bill Wilson Patrice Fenton Jen Demirs Jonathan Hammett Tom Gentz Claire Dalidowitz and Dave Landry
3. APPROVAL OF AUGUST MEETING: no minutes read at this time will be approved next meeting
4. COMMUNICATION AND GUESTS: Discussion and possible action  
Tom reported that this Ad Hoc committee would not be able to start a face book page as a group.  
Claire reported that she had done some research about putting together a brochure to publish in the Pipe Line. She also brought a copy for us to review.  
Dave Landry was introduced to the group. He talked about his background in PE and his bike group at the high school where he taught. The group tried to update him about our Pathway and all we have done since starting.
5. PUBLIC COMMENT none
6. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - A. Patrice talked about doing research into the Burrville bike pathway---which was done internally in the town. Reported to be 1 mile long. Financed \$85,000 by town \$350,000 DEM
  - B. Bill reported that pathway surveying starts tomorrow.
7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - A. TIP Status on Rt 1 and Rt 1a---more discussion surrounding the law about repaving or repairing roads to get the state to consider bike pathways. Rt1a by Ninigret park will be surfaced in 2020 and at this time no provision about addressing bike lanes.  
Faith is planning on meeting with town officials to address this in the future.
  - B. Claire shared her hand out---see above
  - C. DEM Grant not approved
  - D. Jane Weidman continues to work on comprehensive plan and has included coastal map with bikeways.
8. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Meeting with Chris Witt Principal Planner Pedestrian and Cycle Safety.  
Faith Bill and Sherry went to Providence to present our pathway and more importantly the whole picture of a Coastal Pathway from Westerly through Charlestown and South Kingston. He tried to explain the process and reviewed our maps. Told us at this time that there is not money but in the future plans will be reviewed annually and to keep meeting with folks and trying to sell our plan.
  - B. SK cannot accommodate us for the Tri-town meeting in Oct. Faith will try and reschedule for Charlestown 10/13/2016 3pm

C. Church Woods

Project has started and Faith addressed the idea of pathways within the complex given the proximity to stores post office drug store etc---at this time they have agreed to put in gravel pathways.

D. AUGUST 19 FARMERS MARKET

Sherry reported meeting several folks influential in biking by profession in their home towns. She reached out to Steve Miller---Executive Director Healthy Weight Initiative, HSPH, Dept. of Nutrition Board of Directors, Livable Streets Alliance.

He will be coming to our October meeting which will start at 5:30 at the Park and we will walk our new LINEAR PARK.

9. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT TIME 10/19/2016

Tom will bring maps of beach road

10. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Jen Demirs and seconded Jonathan Hammett. All in agreement

Respectfully submitted,  
Sherry Drude

**APPROVED October 19, 2016**