



Connecticut Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board

Volunteer board members advising agencies of the state on policies, programs, and facilities for bicycles and pedestrians.



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MEETING NOTES

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday February 24, 2015

8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Meeting at DOT Headquarters

2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06111

Room 2141

1.0 Preliminaries

1.1 Call to Order/Roll Call 845am

In attendance:

Neil Pade (Chair), Sandy Fry (Vice Chair), Joe Balskus (Secretary), Francis Pickering, Ray Rauth, Deb Dauphinais, Al Silvestre, Rod Parlee

CTDOT: Kate Rattan, Kevin Tedesco

1.2 Minutes, December and February 4, 2015

Meeting notes for Dec and postponed January meeting notes adopted with revisions to include incorporation of annual report comments.

1.3 Input from visitors

None.

2.0 Old Business

2.1 2014-2015 Annual Report

a. Dissemination and Marketing of Report

All official copies should be color. Kate to confirm ability to get copies out.

Kate to provide official notification of release of report

Can email to list of officials? State agencies, MPO's – Francis
List of agencies from Mike Norris

Newspapers? Joe to send out as a press release to newspapers.

Governors push on transportation – Kate will ask Jud for press release

Press release – Neil to draft changes

Sandy to draft press release and distribute to board for review and approval and chair to distribute

Alan send to public transportation commission
Francis to RPA's
Sandy to send to Courant
Kelly to send to bike community
Rod to send to Peter Marteka
Neil to send to planning list serv
Joe other newspapers and ITE
Kate to send to CTDOT newsletter

Get copy of DOT media press list -

b. Implementation of Report Recommendations

Contraflow traffic – legislation pending, Sandy working on with Sen. Beth Bye

Ebike discussion – CT doesn't have regulations
Subcommittee – Deb to pull together information

Monitoring implementation of complete streets policy -
OSTA recent requests for applications – enhanced data collection

Kate – can brief Board as information becomes available

HDM rewrite has begun – kickoff meeting held in January, with rolling deadlines for different updates within the Manual

GIS inventory and condition of sidewalks in regions

Board members will keep track of complete streets activities in future

Need to assign board members to point persons on tasks – ebikes – Deb etc.

Sandy – to be point person with DOT on progress of HDM updates

Examine barriers to contra flow traffic – Joe to take lead on this and coordination with the legislation pending.

2.2 Letters of Recognition

Tabled.

2.3 Upcoming Complete Streets Training, Workshops, Presentations – CCM- BPAB Workshop - Complete Street for Municipal Leaders

Working outline – can use for CCM abstract?
Training moved to Fall 2015.

2.4 Subcommittee Report BPAB/ HSIP emphasis areas

Kate - follow up with Joe Ouellette
June meeting of the HSIP team but meetings in advance

3.0 New Business

3.1 Discussion – Legislative Bills of Interest

Francis – Bill 6851 essentially developing the CT Transit Corridor Development Authority with bonding authority

Sandy – coordinating with bill 502 authors on changes to be

3.2 Proposed Transportation Budget/30 Year Vision

http://www.governor.ct.gov/malloy/lib/malloy/2015.02.18_CTDOT_30_YR_Vision.pdf

Francis comments – focused on highways and intercity rail.
\$10 million for urban infrastructure per year

After discussion, it was acknowledged that “the board supports the dedication of funding specifically for bike and ped improvements in the governor's transportation plans. However the \$780 million over 30 years is insufficient for the improvements required and does not recognize the importance of bike and ped friendliness and essential to placemaking for economics”.

Board approved motion in support of future testimony at budgetary hearings

Kate to determine hearing schedule for budgeting for Commissioner

Need to have more information for coming fiscal year budget

4.0 Reports

4.1 DOT Projects and News

Putnam Bridge project - participation from Towns still pending, especially Glastonbury.

It was noted that the CTBPAB Website needs to be updated. Rod will email former board member Charlie for administrative rights.

Next Meeting 8:30 AM, DOT HQ, March 24, 2015, Room 2141

Teleconference: recurring every 4th Tuesday 8:30-10:30AM Call In Number **877-417-2950** PASSCODE: **94833**