



Connecticut Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board

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REGULAR MEETING NOTES

Friday June 24, 2022 9 AM

This meeting will be held over TEAMS:

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1 Call to Order/Roll Call

Sandy Fry (Chair), Brian Kent (Vice Chair), Francis Pickering, Al Sylvestre, Rod Parlee, Tom Branchaud, Mark Moriarity, Sue Smith

Bill Veronesi, Harford resident

Amy Watkins, Watch For Me CT

Caitlin Palmer, CRCOG

Bob Dickinson, Bloomfield

Anna Bergeron, CTDOT

Sara Radacs, CTDOT

Charles Harlow, Fuss & O'Neill

Kim Bradley, CT Trails Program, UConn Extension

Richard Donovan, NVCOG

Doug Hausladen, New Haven Parking Authority

Jacob Robison, New Haven Planning

Rachel Hiskes, Hartford resident

1.1 Minutes, May 27 meeting

Minutes did not properly reflect the discussion of the definition of rural areas relative to state funding.

This will be added.

It was clarified that SAP means Safety Action Plan.

These corrections along with a typo, will be made to the minutes.

2.0 Reports/Presentations

DOT Projects and News

Updates:

Progress with new CS policy: currently the focus is upon the Bicycle and Pedestrian assessment checklist and how it can be updated to be more effective, especially to insure that it is applied as early in the process as possible.

DOT is working to finalize a new funding program called the

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Transportation Rural Improvement Program (TRIP.) It will fund projects in rural communities, defined as municipalities where more than 50 % of the population is rural. DOT has created maps to show which towns are considered rural. \$5 million of state funding will be available this year with a total program of \$50 million. Solicitations will go out at the end of August. Applications will be through the COGs. The program will provide some funds for planning and design. Projects have to be at least \$300,000. Distribution of funds will be formula based. The program is still in draft form, with the regions reviewing. It appears that this money might be able to serve as match for federal funds, such as the Safe Streets Safe Ride for All program. While TRIP is not as focused upon bike and ped safety projects as the Community Connectivity Grant Program, it is likely that many bike ped related projects will be submitted.

Chip seal – Sandy asked that Anna get an update from Maintenance regarding chip seal for our next meeting. Brian reported that chip sealed surfaces after a year are as rough or possibly more rough (because of debris getting caught) as they were when first paved. The travel lanes have gotten smooth, but not the shoulders.

Update of Active Transportation Plan online map – consultant scoping was submitted to the agreements section in May, but response has not been received yet.

Sandy indicated that she had been contacted by an individual, via Bike walk CT, who was concerned with the Route 10/Route 322 project in Southington. This project will convert a grade separated intersection to a standard one. The question about the project had come up because of proximity to the Farmington Canal Trail. Those familiar with the project area indicated it is a mile from the trail, and that 322 would not be a preferred route to get to the trail. The Board decided not to look into this issue further.

3.0 Old Business

3.1 Powerpoint created by Tom– the group discussed the first 2 pieces of the presentation and suggested improvements. The final 2 sections will be discussed at the August meeting.

4.0 New Business

4.1: Route 10/322 discussed above.

5.0 Input

5.1 No reports or input.
July meeting cancelled.

Next Meeting – August 26, 2022, 9 AM

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