



Connecticut Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board
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REGULAR MEETING NOTES

Friday June 28, 2019, 9 AM
DOT Headquarters, 2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06111, Room B

1.0 Preliminaries

1.1 Call to Order/Roll Call

Sandy Fry (Chair), Brian Kent (Vice Chair- phone), Joe Balskus (Secretary)
Alan Sylvestre, Rod Parlee, Ken Messier, Francis Pickering, Tom Branchuad

Guests

Bob Dickinson (South Windsor)
Anna Bergeron (CTDOT)

Of note for future distribution, include the following DOT folks in future on distribution list for the meeting notes:

Melanie Zimyeski, Patrick Zapatka, Anna Bergeron, Marlon Pena,
Robert Bell

1.2 Minutes

Add attachments referenced in the meeting notes, name spelling corrections for Bob and Marlon Pena
Joe motion, Francis 2nd - meeting notes accepted

1.3 Input from Visitors (5 minutes)

Public information meeting on Hop River project – from terminus running across Hop River (Willimantic)

Kudos to DOT for pushing project along

2.0 Reports/Presentations

2.1 DOT Projects and News

Report on DOT CS Policy

Robert Bell (CTDOT) unable to attend and report will be presented at next board meeting

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Highway Design Manual

Intermodal planning retained a consultant to create to bicycle chapter for the highway design manual, being reviewed internally – standalone design manual/chapter that will be part of the highway design manual. CTDOT to inquire with allowing BikePed Board into review process.

Pedestrian safety guide

This is different than what is being developed for highway design manual. A guide that traffic engineering is working on. Uncontrolled crossings, etc. Part of the 5 step for the highway safety plan. CT specific decision matrix for state-owned highways.

Putnam Bridge bike path project under design.

2.2 Bike Walk CT Update

Sandy Fry provided an update on past activities.

2.3 Watch For Me CT Update

No report provided this month.

3.0 Old Business

3.1 Retreat follow up – planning an outreach meeting
Reach out to the public – series of meetings
Reach out to professionals –

General public does not know who the bike ped board is, fundamental issue

Transportation regions (9)

Bike walk CT annual summit presentation?

Sandy to send out to Board and finalize brochure for July 30 Farmington Valley Greenway

And bring to Bike Walk CT annual meeting in Fall

Powerpoint presentation updated by Tom and provided for review by the Board

Francis to draft a letter to send to other regions and municipalities
10 years of CTBPAB

Joe to reach out to CCM regarding December annual meeting

Joe to also present at ITE and WTS meetings

Consider using google docs - Francis

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3.2 Web site – input/discussion

Comments on website, improve homepage, add FAQ

3.3. Bylaws, policy document. Input from Policy committee

Do we need bylaws or policy document or position document

Bylaws – administrative and how we conduct the business of the board

Not policy or position of Board

Revisions to bylaws to be provided to Board for review and adoption at next Board meeting

No action on general positioning statements of Board

4.0 New Business

Announcements by Francis

DPH working in all regions for training for active transportation and pilot projects including Complete Streets

Other items:

Bike to Beach route New Canaan to Darien

Bridge Street bridge in Westport

Brewster to Danbury rails to trails

South Kent School mountain bike trails

Legislation considerations:

Payment in lieu of sidewalks legislation being considered

Indexing registration fees to vehicle type

Other items:

CRCOG Regional Bikeshare RFP

Mystic bike share being sued for gross negligence

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Bike Walk Bolton event on June 1 Trails Day

Trail is CTDEEP managed, owned by CTDOT, conflicts resolved.

July 26th meeting is cancelled.

Next Meeting – August 23, 2019, **9 AM**

Unable to attend? You can still participate:

Using your computer, tablet or smartphone:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/900550389>

OR

You can also dial in using your phone: United States +1 (312) 757-3121
Access Code: 900-550-389

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