



## Connecticut Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board

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### REGULAR MEETING NOTES

Friday June 25, 2021 9 AM

This meeting will be held over TEAMS:

## Microsoft Teams meeting

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#### 1.1 Call to Order/Roll Call

Sandy Fry (Chair), Brian Kent (Vice Chair), Al Sylvestre, Joe Balskus (Secretary), Ken Messier, Tom Branchaud, Sue Smith

#### Guests

Aaron Budris, NVCOG  
Kim Bradley, CT Trail Census Coordinator  
Marlon Pena, CTDOT  
Dave Elder, CTDOT  
Bill Veronesi, Hartford  
Bob Dickinson, South Windsor  
Jennifer Carrier, FHWA  
Sam Gold, RiverCOG  
Anna Bergeron, CTDOT Bike Ped Coordinator  
Jane Tkach, City of Hartford  
Dimitri Koutoumba, CTDOT  
Richard Donovan, NVCOG

#### 1.2 Minutes

Meeting notes accepted.

#### 2.0 Reports/Presentations

##### 2.1 DOT Projects and News

Anna Bergeron introduced as DOT's new bike/ped coordinator!

Chip seal issue and pavement preservation group meeting internal to CTDOT  
Discussed possible routes for pilot program for trial shoulders with options for chip sealing, two possible Routes 302 (Bethel) and 147 (Middlefield) for 2022 VIP season

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Verify that no bike routes are being chip sealed in 2021 season

### Other items to add to DOT reporting in next meeting:

Chip seal progress – various COG's responding to CTDOT's request identifying regional bike routes. Has the state bike route map been updated and when can it be updated? The existing map is ambiguous in terms of regional significance of bike routes versus rural routes

DOT has indicated that next time a bike ped update, the new bike routes will be added to the bike route map

Board indicated that the bike route map was supposed to be an active document

RiverCOG expressed concerns on this issue.

Goldstar bridge update on feasibility study (due in September)

DOT to review internally and return next month with update on these items.

A concern on Route 194 in South Windsor was raised by Bob Dickinson.

### **3.0 Old Business**

#### 3.1 Board initiatives for 2021

Two issues – what are we presenting, and who are we talking to?

Something really short?

Sandy and Tom to finalize presentation

Website update needed

Consideration of the importance of urban bicycle networks and basic transportation mode for some residents

#### 3.2 Implementation of bicycle plan

#### 3.3 Legislation – update

Stop for pedestrians in crosswalk legislation noted

Dooring legislation, approved

Speed camera pilot in school zones

Payment in lieu of sidewalks

#### 3.4 Bulkeley Bridge crosswalks to pedestrian path

### **4.0 New Business**

#### 4.1 Cancel July meeting. Yes

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Sue Smith noted a corridor study Walk Audit in West Main Street in Waterbury on Monday June 28, 4-6pm

### 5.0 Input

#### 5.1 Input from Visitors (5 minutes)

Jennifer Carrier - FHWA - Infrastructure Plan being proposed by President with bipartisan support, potential increase in bike/ped funding

#### 5.2 CT Greenways Council/ECGA

No report

#### 5.3 UCONN Extension CT Trail census/Trail Finder

June 5 live app published, additional trail postings being done  
FCHT and Shoreline trails being added  
Update with CTDOT and CTDEEP partners  
And working with CT outdoor recreational alliance

CT Trail Census – moving to download of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of data in mid-July

Diversification of funding being pursued

#### 5.4 Watch for Me CT Update

No report.

#### 5.5 Bike Walk CT Update

No report.

Next Meeting – August 27, 2021, 9 AM

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