

COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE MINUTES February 28, 2019 3:15 PM

PRESENT: Berta Geller, Tony Higgins, Tony Omer, Rachel Baumrin, Jane Rossi

ABSENT: Katie Ruppel

Berta opened the meeting at 3:30 PM.

MINUTES:

Rachel moved and Berta seconded the motion to approve the January 3, 2019 minutes. The vote was unanimous.

DISCUSSION:

- Berta informed the committee that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) of the MV Joint Transportation Council will meet on Tuesday, March 5th @ 5:30 pm at the MVC office.

- **Discussion with Skipper Manter:**

Berta explained that she and Jane Rossi had recently met with Skipper to discuss calming traffic on Lambert's Cove Road. Skipper researched Radar Speed Display signs. The signs indicate what the speed limit is and flash the speed the driver is going. The signs are solar powered and there are several options available such as data collection and violator alerts. The total estimated cost for two signs is \$14,485.00.

Berta went on to say that she and Jane have spoken with Skip regarding Old County Road. She said he liked the idea of additional shared use paths. She informed Skip that the committee will have to hold several public meetings to present the proposal, they will have to ask for funding and then apply for grant money.

- **Howard Stein Hudson island visit:**

Berta informed the committee that HSH will be on the island to review the Lambert's Cove Road that travels past the beach parking lot, and the pick-up and drop-off bus stop at the West Tisbury School. She stated that the MVC has \$6 or \$7 k available for design work.

- **Bridge in North Tisbury:**

Jane explained to the Committee that a group of students from Northeastern University had prepared a design near the bridge in North Tisbury. The plan shows a round-about at the intersection of State and North Road, and an eight foot side shared use path on the south side of the road with a barrier between the road and the S.U.P. She said they will return with a second option on Wednesday April 3rd at 11:00 in the second floor meeting room.

- **S.U.P at Scott's Grove:**

Berta informed the Committee that Chris Bruno from the State Forest wrote a letter stating that the "Friends of the State Forest" are in support of the Committee making improvements to the connector paths in the State Forest.

• Lambert's Cove Beach parking lot:

A discussion ensued regarding the amount of cars that are parked on the sides of the road during beach hours. Tony Omer asked if stickers for all of the cars were being checked. Jane said it was her understanding that they were. Tony Higgins said that the Lambert's Cove Inn shuttles its guests to and from the beach and it really works. Tony Omer said the flashing signs could really help to calm the traffic through such a congested area. He also stated that a sign could be placed before Cottles on the Vineyard Haven end of Lambert's Cove Road. Rachel said a sign stating that there are pedestrians in the road ahead would be effective. She went on to say that it might be a good idea to stretch the flashing sign to Seth's Pond since people use that beach as well. We decided to let the engineers from HSH make a recommendation as to the best place to locate the flashing signs.

•Projects for this year:

Berta stated that the committee will focus on the Elias Lane and the Scott's Grove connector paths this year. We also need to ask for a right of way from the State Forest to Great Plains Road. Berta said that we will draft a letter to Mass DOT after we meet with HSH. The letter will include our plans for the connector paths since we cannot expand Lambert's Cove Beach parking lot.

•Funding process for projects and the hiring process:

There was a discussion regarding how the funding process works. It was Berta's understanding that the town would pay for a project and would be reimbursed by Mass DOT. Jane said she would ask Bruce how the process works. Jane said she believes that any projects would have to go out to bid. Berta felt that the Elias Lane and Scott's Grove connector paths would be done locally. Rachel said that it might be a good idea to put the projects out to bid in a show of good faith.

Berta said that at the next meeting the committee will develop a process that includes community input for the design of SUP's on Old County Road. Jane was asked to check with the Community Preservation Committee to see if the CSC can apply for CPC funding to do title searches as necessary. The committee recommended that the B&Z inspector, the Highway Superintendent and the Tree Warden should be involved in the Old County Road proposed project..

Meeting Adjourned at 4:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Rossi