

## COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE MINUTES September 7, 2017 3:00 PM

**PRESENT:** Berta Geller, Steve Neirensberg, Rachel Baumrin, Andrew Jephcote, Jane Rossi

**ABSENT:** Kate Warner, Katie Ruppel (voting members) Caitlin Jones, Tony Omer, Tony Higgins

- Approval of the minutes was tabled until the next meeting.

- **Tour of West Tisbury with Howard Stein Hudson Consultants:**

Berta explained that the committee didn't have a quorum to conduct a meeting with HSH in August so she and Jane drove around town with the consultants and pointed out several areas of concern that need attention and/or improvements. Berta pointed out that the consultants noticed a lack of signage throughout the town that they felt could be an asset when trying to calm traffic. Andrew said he felt that signage is visual pollution, and people tend not to notice it. Rachel said that, in Vermont, signage is very important and it doesn't distract it aids in navigating the town safely. Clear signs aid in visitors attempts to go with the flow on the roads.

- **Plans to work with Howard Stein Hudson Consultants:**

Berta said that the next step for the committee is to schedule two meetings with the consultants and the public. The first would entail gathering more input from the public. We need more feedback from the public regarding handicap access and safety, walkers, bus riders, strollers, etc. The committee believes that the meeting should be well publicized. Steve wondered if there was a way to get a town email list. Jane said the best way to explore that idea would be to add a space on the town census for email addresses. Otherwise, a separate mailing would be costly.

The second meeting, which would be after the consultants make recommendations for a Prioritization Plan, will be to share what is planned with the public.

The wikimap that was created for the town website will be posted after we receive feedback from the committee members. The committee discussed several potential dates for movie night. Jane volunteered to check with the library for the week of October 24<sup>th</sup>.

- **Bike Vs Car movie discussion:**

We decided to postpone rescheduling the movie to focus on the upcoming public meeting with the consultants.

- **Other business:**

There was a brief discussion about appointing an associate committee member to establish a quorum in the absence of some members. Jane said she would consider it for voting purposes. There was also a discussion about making changes island-wide so that all towns are considering making the roads safer for all.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Rossi