

Meeting Minutes

February 7 2024

Participating: Danielle DeLuca, Bryan Plummer, Howard Ostroff, Lisa Farnham, Trish Sullivan, Sharna Borsellino, Bernie CHirokas, Jessica Porter, Tom McShane, Jeremy Rosenburger

1. Opening & Public Comment (up to 20 minutes)

- No Public comment
- January minutes approved

2. Update on Local Road Safety Plan, outreach on map

Bryan is rep to Transportation Safety Working Group. 200k from MassDOT went to creating Local Road Safety Plan. [New website](#) captures info about the goal of the group. This has already been shared on social media by Town communications officer. How else can we get input. We want us all to be advocates for this tool moving forward. Study is looking at main arterial roads. Looked at map together as a group to understand how to use it. This is open until end of March, so time is limited to get the input in from the community.

- Dedham Bike, Dedham Cycle Club
- reach out to PTOs
- Trish can reach out to Superintendent, Dedham High School and Middle Schools.
- JP: Might be worth posting on the fb page moms and parents of dedham and ask folks to post on the respective school pages. Also to request the schools post the link on their fb page.
- Local Dedham moms group.
- BC: Seniors group at town hall- Jeremy says this has been posted there
- Town Library
- Bryan will send the digital flyer
- JP: Flyers at the parks and schools would be awesome

3. Brainstorm on Solutions for Bridge St

- Developer is building a site at the old Mosely's location.
- Looking for suggestions for design attributes that we can propose to planning board to make this intersection better and safer for all modalities.
- For example: currently there is a bike lane on Bridge St and a bike lane on VFW but there is a gap over the bridge. Can we ask Mosley's to help advocate for connecting this bike lane.
- Tom: Suggest that we have the bike lane break off from the road and travel along the river HO asks where town line is, JR indicates that yes it is in the middle of the river.
- BP: we had also made a request to SB and representatives to reduce speed limits on Bridge St. We have not heard back from that.
- Tom: Suggest adding sharrows that there is a shared space for bikers in that section.
- DD: add decorative street level lighting that can help solve poor visibility issues.

Jim agrees this is great info and exactly the type of info the planning board needs. DD suggests this could be a good opportunity for other projects coming up to the planning board, so that we can weigh in on suggested improvements that developer can help support.

4. Update on Master Plan

JM: Master Plan has been reviewed, every page and chapter. We are getting very close to accepting suggested language changes. Need to review the implementation sections. Jeremy: 3rd draft will be reviewed by planning board on Feb 27. Last Master Plan there was an implementation committee. (including Jess) which prioritized goals and worked to accomplish those. Llkely will create an implementation committee again. There is a light at the end of the tunnel.

It's been a long but good process.

SB: will members of the master plan committee have opportunities to see changes before it gets finalized? Master Plan committee has not been dissolved; all the drafts are publicly accessible- would be good to send a link to all the master plan members with changes, to let them know a potential vote will take place on the 27th.

Jim: understands we still need to go through the implementation chapters.

6. New/old business

-BP: In LRSP process, one of the goals is to develop a bike network plan. There is currently a draft that was created by the Dedham Cycle Club. Would be good to see the select board to approve.

-Danielle announces she would like to step down as chair of the ATWG after serving in this role for 3 years and 1 month, nominates Bryan Plummer to replace me. Bryan's nomination seconded by Howard Ostroff.

LRSP Outreach

Group	Forum/method	Lead	Complete (y/n)
Dedham Cycle Club	Outreach to Club members (email, in-person)	Danielle	
Dedham Bike Shop	Outreach to owners w/ digital content (email) Bryan can drop physical handouts when ready (flyers)	Danielle	
School - Superintendent Nan	Email/call follow up; she's apparently already received communication from TSWG	Trish	
School - PTOs, Teacher, Parents	Ask TSWG to do outreach	Bryan	
Families with young children	Online - Facebook Moms and Parents of Dedham page	Bryan	

Families with young children	In-person event: Young families playground meet up (march) date TBD	Bryan	
Seniors Group/Town Hall	Physical flyers	TSWG	Done
Library	Physical flyers	TSWG	