

Montpelier Bicycle Committee
October 29, 2015 Workplan Retreat Minutes
5:30-7:30 pm
North Branch Nature Center

Agenda

- 1) Approve agenda:
 - a. Action Suggested: Members should review and approve the agenda, including the order of the agenda as well as identifying items to be added under “Other Business.”
- 2) Meeting Time and Length: The group decided to, for the trial period of November and December, change the meeting time from the 4th Thursday to the 2nd Tuesday and from 8 AM – 9 AM to 6 PM – 7:30 PM.
- 3) Other Business: Bill has resigned from MBAC due to other conflicting engagements. We’ll need to determine at some point in the future if we’d like to fill is spot. At the moment we may have enough else going on that we ought to wait until things settle out before pursuing another member. That said, there may be well qualified individual interested in the position.
- 4) Review Montpelier in Motion “Plan Options” (refer to http://www.montpelier-vt.org/upload/news/1127/files/montpelier_in_motion_options_9-22-14_s.pdf): In doing do the group identified the following projects and areas of concern for each issue area (*additional studies, encouragement, enforcement, etc.*) for MBAC to focus on in the coming year:
 - a. Additional Studies
 - i. Support regional plans
 - ii. Montpelier alive collaboration
 - iii. Support inter-municipal and non-motor trans
 - iv. Streetscape plan
 - v. North/south rec path
 - b. Encouragement
 - i. Maps and signs for local tourists (bike routes around town)
 - ii. Bike rodeo/open street event
 - iii. School outreach
 - iv. Influence behavior
 - v. Bike rodeo
 - vi. Give away
 - vii. Social media campaign
 - c. Enforcement
 - i. Reporting system for close calls around town (create system, advertise data)
 - ii. Police presence for slowing traffic
 - iii. More signs
 - iv. More flashing speed signs
 - d. Education
 - i. School education
 - ii. Sharrow campaign
 - iii. 3’ passing rule
 - iv. bikes on bus
 - v. social media education
 - vi. bike website add-on
 - e. Evaluation
 - i. Survey residents on BAC stuff, priorities

- ii. Measure success/failures of the committee
- f. Policy
 - i. Complete streets
 - ii. Match city and state policies
 - iii. City road standards for bike lanes
 - iv. Improve communication with city staff
 - v. Decrease on street parking
 - vi. Traffic calming
- g. Physical Improvement
 - i. North south
 - ii. Main barre
 - iii. Sharrows on all downtown streets
 - iv. Barre street speed bumps
 - v. Elm
 - vi. Baily ave extension
 - vii. Green mtn drive
 - viii. State and main issue

Through a prioritization exercise the group narrowed the above listed projects and areas of concern to:

- a. Additional Studies
 - i. Streetscape/Montpelier Alive
- b. Encouragement
 - i. Maps and signs
 - ii. Bike rodeo/open streets
- c. Enforcement
 - i. No current pressing priorities
- d. Education
 - i. Sharrow outreach/education campaign
 - ii. School outreach
- e. Evaluation
 - i. See *additional studies*
- f. Policy
 - i. Complete Streets and right of way traffic calming
- g. Physical Improvement
 - i. North-South corridor improvement
 - ii. Bike path connection (Barre St.)
 - iii. Paint!

With the difficulty and problematic nature of planning too far in advance in mind, the group decided to prioritize the most pressing of the above listed projects and areas of concerns over the next four months, with work on the remaining projects and areas of concern to follow:

- a. November
 - i. PI
- b. December
 - i. Continued work on PI
- c. January
 - i. Encouragement
- d. February
 - i. Education

- 5) Create and assign subcommittees based on agreed on projects: The group decided to not assign subcommittees for now considering the size of MBAC and existing obligations.
- 6) Make plan for coordinating work of full committee, subcommittees, and other partners (i.e., Police, Montpelier Alive, Public Works, etc): John will ask Corey to attend the November meeting
- 7) Adjourn