

Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting minutes
March 6, 2014

Attending: Bill Merrylees, Karen Schwartz, Nancy Schulz, Jessie Baker, Hannah Reckhow, Alex Prolman, Per Tonn, Anthony Mennona, Steve Gladczuk

Meeting began at 8:08

Jessie gave an update on the Montpelier in Motion master plan consultant review process: Review committee met and narrowed three proposals down to two. Follow-up questions were sent to remaining two firms. Next meeting is next 3/12 with the plan to go to council on 3/26 meeting.

Bill discussed the idea of having a bike rack at Farmers' Market with John Hollar. One idea: taking a space in front of Julio's to put bike parking, This requires decision from DPW. Could be done 2 ways: only on weekends or during summer consistently.

Jessie: Council would need to approve reprogramming of space and waive parking fee (parking on state street is a discussion topic, businesses have been pushing back.)

The committee discussed putting the parking in a different spot: Behind Episcopal church? At end of bike path? Carr Lot?

Working Group updates:

Infrastructure group didn't meet this month.

Education group is developing dates for Bike to Brunch series (May 10, 17, 24, 31), looking for volunteer leaders, and looking for local celebrities. Onion River Sports would be willing to help with promotion.

Co-leaders volunteers: Karen (May 10)

Detail to be solidified by end of month.

Contact bike summit listserv for volunteers for events? Committee member with share availability with Nancy.

Walk & Roll Month

Potential ped committee involvement – ped scavenger hunt?

Talk next meeting about details, volunteers, etc.

New meeting time was decided for 4th Thursday 8-9 am

Next meeting 3/27

Jessie gave an update on the parking for State Street repaving: city and state are working on design for State Street, nothing is final. Some consensus that there will be angled parking of some sort. No decision on type of angled parking. Parking repaving plan will add 18 parking spaces.

Nancy: do the people making this decision have information about safety of different types?

Jessie: we have communicated our preference for reverse angled parking with education

Per: we need to frame reverse angle parking as a simpler parallel parking.

Bill gave an update on the Cross VT Trail visit to House Transportation Committee and shared a proposal for a circular bike path around Hubbard Park from Kip from ORS.

Meeting ended at 9:08