

Provincetown Bicycle Advisory Working Group

Minutes for August 3, 2011

Members Present: Candace Nagle, Jeff Epstein, Bill Meadows, Paul Cezanne, Mike Peregón.

Guests Present: Clay Shoefield, Cape Cod Commission, Karst Hooeboom, Cape Cod National Seashore, David Gardner

The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Nagle at 2:00

Clay Shoefield described to the committee his work on a plan for developing a Rail Trail Extension which would bring bike trails from Wellfleet through Truro and into Provincetown. Emphasis was made that this planning would include a multiphase process involving all towns and the public. At this stage, various trail routes are being considered and studied. As one of the first steps, Clay will present his work to the Provincetown Board of Selectmen at its meeting August 8, 2011.

Karst Hooeboom described to the committee the work he is doing in planning an extension of the National Seashore Bike Trails down / along Race Point Road and Conwell Street, through the Cemetery, on to Alden Street and to the center of Town.

Motion: Nagle/Epstein “The Bicycle Advisory Working Group supports refinement of the Rail Trail Extension Project by the Cape Cod Commission, Cape Cod National Seashore, and a public process to define initial concepts which can be used to advance the project.” Voted 5-0-0

David Gardner reported that the grant to create 600 feet of bike way from the foot of Bradford Street to the newly constructed Moors Road Bike way has been denied. The committee requested, through Mr. Gardner, that the town find the necessary \$26,000 to fund and construct this very necessary work.

The chair reported that at its August 1, 2011 meeting the BOS passed the following motion, expanding the Bicycle Advisory Working Groups charge:

“The Provincetown Board of Selectmen expand the role of The Bicycle Advisory Working Group to not only create a mission statement for a future Bicycle Advisory Committee, but also help local officials create, implement, and prioritize bicycle programs, facilities, and policies.”

Additional tasks of the committee and specific members were discussed.

The committee needs to write a mission statement to present to the fall Special Town Meeting.

Paul Cezanne agreed to develop a “Bike Facebook Page” for the town’s web site.

Mike Peregon agreed to develop a list of locations for installation of additional bike racks on town property.

The committee needs to get the BOS to create a “Bike Project Gift Fund.”

David Gardner urged the committee to “take the lead in promoting bike safety.”

It was agreed that we will invite our Police Chief to the next committee meeting to discuss bike safety.

The next meeting of the committee will be Wed. Aug. 24 at 2:00

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 by a 5-0-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Peregon