

Bicycle Committee Minutes
August 22, 2012

Meeting called to order 1:00 PM

Members Present: Candace Nagle, Jeff Epstein, Mike Peregon, Roger Chauvette, Bill Meadows

Guest: Dan Alexander, US National Seashore consultant; David Gardner arrived at 1:25 PM

Report from Master Bicycle Meeting: Candace, Roger, Dan
Well attended, 40-50 present
Provincetown only 1 resident, didn't speak
Truro and Wellfleet had many public speakers
Truro and Wellfleet have significant obstacles: much of railroad bed is in private hands now. (Provincetown railroad bed from Howland Street to Mayflower Heights is still intact.) Environmental activists from Wellfleet concerned about more bikers coming. Commented about fewer herons and toads...

Eastham bicycle committee wants to meet with Provincetown, Truro, and Wellfleet committees.

Members from Truro and Wellfleet committees took Provincetown brochures to share with their committees.

Candace and David chose banner to hang across Commercial Street. Hope to hang it next week.

Candace met with Beautification Committee members to discuss possibility of bike racks near the rest rooms at the bus transit center near MacMillan Wharf. After 40 minutes of discussion the matter was tabled. Beautification Committee seemed to have plans in mind with all plantings and benches. Suggestion to invite the Beautification Committee to the joint meeting with the selectmen. Bicycle Committee would present their vision to the selectmen and seek some compromise.

Mike Peregon is going to ask the VSB for approximately \$2000 in last fiscal years budget to buy more bike rack for public land. 1) Prince Street Parking Lot, 2) Pilgrim Landing, 3) Town Hall, 4) Fisherman's Park near Cabral's Wharf, 5) Kendall Street Landing, and 6) Capt Jack's Landing

Suggestion to install split rail fence at Pilgrim Landing where kayaks are located which would be similar to where bikes are parked on Moors Road. Bikes could be parked in the same way with front wheels over the rail.

David Gardner went to Salem and took pics of their bike racks. He will share pics in future.

Michael Peregon asked if there was room across from the Post Office to put some bike racks. Dan Alexander suggested inverted U shape racks that are designed to hold two bikes.

Candace asked each committee member to come up with 3 recommendations to present to the selectmen at the joint meeting on Sept 24. Each member to email suggestions to Candace.

Candace's 3 Recommendations:

- 1) Make Bradford Street a more acceptable bike route by creating bicycle lanes by painting fog lines on Bradford Street from West Vine to the east end where Bradford and Commercial Streets join. Use 10' traffic lanes and consider eliminating parking spaces if necessary.
- 2) Use first parking space at Center and Commercial Streets next to the public Library to install bike racks.
- 3) Remove parking spaces on Commercial Street in front of Masthead Resort to make the hill safer for automobiles, pedestrians, and bikers.

Roger spoke of thinking of Management rather than control when considering plans to help with bicycle and pedestrian safety.

Candace made a motion to use money from the Town of Provincetown Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Committee Gift Fund to purchase 6 Plexiglas donation boxes to locate at interested businesses. Passed 5-0-0

Candace, Bill, Roger, and Dan plan to explore and measure Bradford Street Thursday, August 23, for possible bike lanes. Meet at Ptown Bikes at 2 pm.

Meeting adjourned 3:08 PM

Respectfully submitted, Bill Meadows