



**Town of Bethlehem
Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee**

SUMMARY

April 25, 2023

6:30 PM

Zoom/in person

ACTION ITEMS

- Dee volunteered to work on revisions to Sidewalk Webpage. Nate will send ideas/comments collected so far.
- Committee Volunteers should email Detective Krage for day-of-event details.
- Nate will update committee on swag prior to Walk and Roll.
- Nate can provide Planning Department Tent for the Walk and Roll event if needed. Will coordinate with volunteers and/or Detective Krage.
- Nate checking with David on status of Speed Humps webpage content. Possible volunteer needed. If interested, contact Nate.

Committee Attendance: Oliver Holmes, Dee Fisher-Golden, Robert Ellis, Steve Redler, Elizabeth Vásquez, Lynelle Bosworth

Town Representatives: Nate Owens, Senior Planner; Marc Dorsey, Highway Superintendent; Jason Hammond; Highway Foreman; Detective Caitlyn Krage, Bethlehem Police Department

- **Public Comment** - No public Comment
- **Minutes** - March 2023 Minutes approved
- **Department Updates**
- Police Department – Update from Detective Krage on Walk and Roll Fest. Discussed future attendance of BPD rep.
- Town Safety Committee – Nothing outstanding to share with committee this month
- Highway Department – Sidewalk update for Delaware Ave and Maple Ave. Skip and Nate gave recap of sidewalk maintenance prioritization. Elizabeth suggested that the Town reframe the discussion and outreach about sidewalks to communicate more effectively. Skip mentioned previous suggestion that the Highway Department be renamed the Transportation Department, since they do much more than Highway work. Jason mentioned “General Services”. Nate said Highway Dept. and other Town Depts. Oversubscribed.

- Planning Department – No discussion on items other than sidewalks.
- **Subcommittee Updates**
 - Sidewalk Maintenance - Already covered
 - Public Safety Campaign- Skip provided an update on the campaign. Mailer going out soon, swag in review and hope is to have before Walk and Roll and Chamber Event. Nate will update committee on swag. Videos in the works.
 - Speed Humps – Recap of speed humps for new members. Group discussed the effect of traffic being diverted and the need for a neighborhood approach with speed humps. Also discussed approaches with temporary and permanent speed humps, plowing, volume and speed criteria for installation. Nate will check with David regarding the draft that Jennifer put together, to see if David made any changes.
- **Committee support needed**
 - Fisher Blvd crosswalk pedestrians crossings count
 - Glenmont roundabout pedestrians peak use times
 - Walk and Roll Fest –Jeff Fisher, Diane Fisher-Golden
- **Items for 2023 agenda**
 - Sidewalks Comprehensive Plan – Skip will look at this again. Discussion of adding funding to the sidewalk plan. Could be difficult or not end up meaning much as grant funding is unpredictable. Nate suggested calling it something other than comprehensive plan to avoid confusing with the Bethlehem Forward Comprehensive Plan. If bonding for sidewalks isn't getting traction with Town, should begin somewhere and keep track. Nate recalled an idea of a former Committee Member about a special sidewalk district and mentioned evaluating that option during the Active Transportation Plan.
 - Priority Network mapping – No discussion
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