

Cambridge Bicycle Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2023

Attending: Mark Boswell, John Ellersick, Amy Flax, Pamela Yang, Alison Harris, Guido, Scott Kilcoyne, Diane Gray (Harvard), Guido Cuperus, Carola Voelker, Conor Henrie: Cara Seiderman (CDD), Walter Goldberg (CDD), Miguel Perez-Luna (CDD); Stephen Meuse (TP&T)

I. Agenda Review, Zoom Protocol, Minutes (5 minutes)

- Minutes of last meeting accepted

II. Events (30 minutes)

- May 20 Community Bike Ride
 - Committee should be there at 9 AM
 - Walter will be on the ride, Tenzen at the library
 - Take photos!
 - Walter will send out the flyer and map

III. Review of updates to the Cambridge Street Code (30 minutes, Miguel)

- The Street Code explains the rules of the road and etiquette for all users
- Lots of visuals
- Revision requested by city council to reflect all the new infrastructure - SBLs, floating bus stops, protected intersections, shared bike/bus lanes, etc.
- New topics
 - 2021 draft: added rideshare etiquette, bus lanes, protected intersections, bus islands
 - Other things - fast food delivery?,
- Committee will receive an email with a PDF of a May 2023 draft and plain text for comment, also a Google form
- Goal to have digital version available in July
- Will be a reference doc, outreach needs to be planned
- Q - Outreach, how will it work? CDD Community engagement team, youth center folks suggested tik tok video, no kids will read a brochure or written document
- Q - break doc into shorter pieces that can be inserted as links into social media discussions
- Q - have short links for setups with easy to remember URLs

IV. Project Updates (30 minutes)

- TP&T Updates
 - Mt. Auburn and Aberdeen intersection redesign - [Open house planned for May 24 at Collins Library](#)
 - Project site up
 - Prepare for SBLs on Aberdeen Ave in the future
 - Connect to Brattle improvements
 - Main St - [second zoom meeting May 31](#), 2 open houses

- Hampshire St - follow on meeting in early June, in design feedback phase, install this summer
- Brattle St - phase 2 under construction past Sparks St
- Line repainting city wide
- Flex post assessment to come
- Q - is more input on missing flex posts needed? A - in spring, staff walk through existing projects and mark missing posts, Can do SeeClickFix, but staff hopes to survey them comprehensively
- Q - where posts are knocked over, could more durable barriers be installed? A - concrete on Brattle looks pretty good, but not decided where else to deploy them yet. Also, need a little more width for concrete.
- Q - Maybe add extensions where posts are run over to help support the post and make more of a bump for cars. A - Current plan is to have a uniform approach, for maintenance
- Q - some flex posts on Garden are leaning. A - there were some installation issues on Garden St. where glue holding in posts did not set. Looking into it.
- DPW Updates
 - Binney St ongoing, Same on Broadway
 - Inman Sq - Spring 2023 completion
 - Gore St - Spring 2023 completion
 - Connection from First St to Cambridge Crossing is scheduled for mid-May, old Lechmere Station triangle to become a pollinator park
 - Mass Ave 4 - Working Group meeting held, more to come
 - Q - is bike parking easier to install when street being redone? A-Yes
 - Q - same for Bluebikes stations - A yes, but usually not put on narrow side streets
 - Q - Are raised crossings part of these Chapter 90 projects? A - Yes, where they make sense. But most of the projects listed at our meeting are past the design phase now. Chapter 26 streets can still get input.
- Neighborhood planning initiatives going on - Wellington Harrington, Neighborhood Nine, Mid Cambridge happening now

V. Public Comment (10 minutes)

- None

VI. Other Updates and Announcements (5 minutes)

- Joint Transportation Committee Meeting May 17
- Summer meetings (July and August)
 - Possible gathering in a yard - Amy's Aug 9
 - Possible Ride - July 12, Cara will think of a route
- Other events:
 - May 17 Cambridge Cycle Fest @ Cambridge Crossing - ride,
 - June 10 second annual Kittie Knox ride, MassBike sponsor, contact MassBike if you can marshall.
 - Bike to work week, several events happening - May 19\
 - <https://www.baystatebikemonth.org/>