CAMBRIDGE PEDESTRIAN MEETING Thursday, September 27, 2012 MINUTES

- I. DPW Updates- see attached notes from DPW (notes below are in conjunction with DPW notes).
 - A. Huron A Project has been bid out and will start this fall after pre-construction mtg.
 - B. Binney Street work is from Third St. to Ames
 - C. Chapter 19-Contract 15 (Tasco Construction, Inc.)-work on Shea Rd and Locke St. is having curb work done. Contractors not accommodating to pedestrian safety. Had issues with parked vehicles on sidewalks.
 - D. NSTAR Electric Cooling Pipe Project- project will resurface every street that has had work done on it. It is curb to curb resurfacing and some ramps added to new sidewalks. Discussion on how committee can get new safety features to new roads.
- I. North Point Project
 - A. Briefly reviewed North Point Project. Committee is sending comments to Planning Board. Comments include:
 - Community Bike Trail- the developers have an obligation to build only to where they are developing property. Discussion on taking issue to the state and lobby for developers to maintain bike trail and to extend beyond their property.
 - Good street lighting for pedestrians.
 - 3. Pedestrian zone only or at least minimal driving (cars in parking lots and for delivery trucks).
 - 4. Shared roads
 - 5. Vehicle speed of no more than 15 mph
 - 6. Set back so sidewalks are not minimum 10'
 - 7. Deliveries made in back of buildings
 - 8. Request for parking ratio or shared parking
 - 9. Zip car and Hubway
- I. Communication with seniors
 - A. Work with seniors regarding their needs for walking conditions. Looking for structured format on how to work with seniors in order to obtain information on what their needs/wants for pedestrian conditions. Sean Peirce has volunteered to head this for the pedestrian committee.
- I. Future Goals/ Projects
 - A. Become more vocal as a group; reach out to citizens
 - B. Working with local communities (local area city groups north, east, central cambridge).
 - C. Pilot program to have a more efficient way for snow/ice removal.
 - D. Citywide Pedestrian Plan. Focus on a connection between schools and parks and to have a more uniform layout for the city in terms of walking and biking. Work with bike committee. Possible subcommittee on this issue.

Side Notes:

November meeting will be held early- November 15, 2012 6-8pm Joint meeting with bike committee on Wednesday December 12, 2012 from 5:30-7:30 PM