

Cambridge Pedestrian Committee

Meeting Minutes: **22 October 2015**

Attendees: Cara Seiderman, Debby Galef, Sean Pierce, Bill Dwyer, Matt Nelson, Dana Benjamin, Magda McCormick

- I. **Agenda Review, Minutes** (June and September minutes reviewed, but with no quorum present, minutes were not approved.)

- II. **Citywide Snow Recap 2015, Bill Dwyer (DPW)**
Presentation created for City Council including historic data, statistics, procedures and challenges.

- III. **Updates**
 - A. DPW Updates (B. Dwyer, handout attached below)
 - B. Infrastructure Projects
 - C. Planning Board letter: Re: MIT South of Main St. Special Permit #303
Draft reviewed and edited to convey best recommendations and advice of committee
 - D. Updates: More members need to be appointed to the committee

- IV. **Committee Planning for Year:** Potential projects
 - A. Cambridge Pedestrian Plan: time for review? Create strategic plan? await City Master Plan and dovetail with our mission
 - B. Themed Walks: ideas, dates
 - C. Identify specific pedestrian issues around City
 - D. Each member serves as liaison to various ongoing projects/groups:
DCR, Safe Routes To School, Grand Junction Rail Trail, Planning Board Review, Kendall Square, No. Mass Ave. project, Greenough Boulevard

IV. Announcements

Nov. 19th: Monthly Meeting

Dec. 17th: Monthly Meeting

PEDESTRIAN MEETING

October 22, 2015

Announcements

There is a shortage of police details because of milling and paving operations. Please be sure to set-up your work zones so that they work without a detail. Please call the detail office **BEFORE** noon on Fridays.

Beacon Street, Somerville – paving scheduled for October 18-19.

City Election November 3rd – please be mindful working in and around schools which are usually polling places.

Reminder: As of Monday, September 21st all new permits will need to be submitted online at <http://permits.cambridgema.gov/CAPSite/Public/Main>.

You will need to “register” first if you have not done so before. If you have any questions or need assistance please contact the Permit Desk at 617-349-4833 or Rob Linke at rlink@cambridgema.gov. Please see the attached instructions for applying online.

Please wait for email with approved permit before starting work.

City Projects

Huron A Project (Gioioso)

Larch @ Fresh Pond Pkwy – paving

Vassal @ Lakeview - paving

Huron B Project (Barletta)

Vassal Lane – prepping for paving (Alpine – Reservoir & Fayerweather-Saville) – paving Thursday

Appleton – catch basin

Vassal Lane – illicit

Hoods & back of sidewalk work – project wide

*** **Must pave trenches by the end of the day Friday**

Concord Ave Project (Gioioso)

Concord Ave (Walden- Alpine) – full depth

Saville – sidewalk work

Concord Ave – sidewalk work next week (Walden – Alpine)

New Street & Concord Lane (Barletta)

Concord Lane - drainage

Western Ave Project (D'Allessandro)

Green Street parking lot – sidewalk work along parking lot

Raising castings for paving

Paving – TBD this week

Binney Street Project (Gilbane/Derenzo)

270 Third St – Binney St lane closure

Chapter 90 – Contract 16 (Marchese)

Second St sidewalk work @ Gore @ Hurley @ Charles

Paving next week Wednesday - Friday

Chapter 90 – Contract 17 (D'Allessandro)

Amory St – sidewalk work

Sherman St – water work Sherman @ Walden

Chapter 90 – Contract 18 (D'Allessandro)

Prep for paving on Friday (10/23) Kinnaird, Putnam, Magee, Hayes

Misc. Sidewalk Contract (Deroma)

Cogswell Ave

Fainwood Circle

Misc. Patch Contract

Paving this week:

Blackstone St (Western-River)

Ballard Place (Putnam-Montague)

Bellevue Ave (Raymond-dead end)

Temple St (Bishop Allen – Mass Ave)

Eighth St (Cambridge-Spring)

MLK School

Magee St – crane

Putnam Ave – raised crosswalk

Longfellow Bridge Project

M-F – overnight closures

Main Street – Kendall Sq. (Newport)

Sidewalks at Ames St; northside sidewalks; southside brick base

Light poles on north side

Wire pull for pedestrian lights

Grand Junction Project (Mattuchio)

Traffic signal swap

Curb on Main St & Broadway

Paving on-site

Cambridge Common Project (Newport)

Paving paths on Garden St side to 1000 island entrance

Cobblestone strip along Mass Ave

brick @ monument

granite paving along pathways

Harvard Sq./Waverly Path (Newport)

MT Auburn St – bus stop work; line striping this week at night

Portland Loo – mobilizing this week

Eversouce Elec – Mass Ave @ Garden St

Memorial Drive (Newport)

Tree protection this week

Staging area at Endicott St

City Departments

Cambridge Water Department

Hudson St & Martin St & Bowdoin St - final tie-in's

Trowbridge St (Trowbridge Place – Harvard St) - services

Cambridge Traffic Department

Line painting at night on Mass Ave @ Walden St

Striping ends beginning of November

Coordination with Traffic Dept on all pavement markings at least 1 week in advance

Contact: Dana Benjamin at dbenjamin@cambridgema.gov or 617.349.4729

University Projects

Harvard

Putnam House – water connection for 69 Brattle St – starting Monday 10/26

MIT

Façade repairs – State St, Brookline St @ Waverly, Vassar St, 301 Vassar St

Nano Project – no work in right of way

Vassar Street Steam – trench work

8 Carlton St – hauling in fill

Albany St – no work

Utility Companies

Eversource Gas (Kieran O’Flaherty or Richard Dell’Isola)

80 Howard St

Richdale Ave

255 Garden St

Eversource Electric (Bill Zamparelli 617.369.5532)

Education Way

81 Mt Auburn St – vault work- needs outage

Fulkerson St – outage

New St – new poles are set – confirmation this week

Lakeview Ave – outage

300 Mass Ave

338 Western Ave – traffic control cabinet

Longfellow Bridge – manhole

Comcast (Anthony Vatalaro)

Portland @ Washington – trench work

17-41 Brattle St @ Church St

1924 Mass Ave – trench on Porter Rd

Verizon (Matthew King 781.376.8172)

Binney St

5 Temple St

Cambridge @ Warren

1801 Mass Ave

Crown Castle (Peter Szczepanik 781-626-0351)

Harvard St @ Ellery St

Putnam Ave @ Flagg St – complete by Wednesday

Private Development Projects

100 Binney Street (Moriarty)

Linskey Way – Lane closure

7 Temple Street

Sidewalk work – 2 weeks

Concrete placement

185 Albany Street

Sewer connection next week

240 Sidney Street

Allston @ Grove – full depth and water cut/cap

180 Windsor Street (CHA)

Washington St – sewer and drain tie-in's

181 Mass Ave

Osbourne St – hydrant/sewer work; binder Friday

Albany St – crane work

Mass Ave – drain work; mill 10/26, pave 10/30

300 Mass Ave

Blanche St – resurface

Green St – paving Monday 10/19

367 Harvard Street

NOT PRESENT

112/114 Mt Auburn Street

Paving complete

115 Mt Auburn Street

Postponed till spring

80 Sparks Street

Mill and pave next week

Cut and cap drain line

1868 Mass Ave

Upland Rd – sidewalk closed

Site excavation

1924 Mass Ave (Porter Hotel)

Comcast & Verizon – trench work

Eversource Elec – not approved at Pole & Conduit

Porter Rd - sidewalks

1971 Mass Ave

All work on site; prefab units in December

165 Cambridge Park Drive

Paving Friday 10/23 – notifications to abutters

Special Events

Saturday, October 24 – Jimmy Fallon Parade – Quincy Sq, Dunster, Mt Auburn to Lampoon

Saturday, October 25 – Park Openings – Cronin & McElroy, Hurley Street

Sunday, October 25 – Superhero 5k Race – Sidney St, Albany St, Mass Ave, Putnam Ave, Brookline St, Franklin St

Sunday, October 25 – Kidney Walk - Northpoint