

Capitol Region Council of Governments

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Committee Meeting

Online Meeting (zoom)

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

12:00 p.m.

Name	Affiliation
Rob Phillips	Town of Southington
Eric Anderson	Town of Andover
Patrice Carson	Town of Bolton
John DiBiasi	Town of Manchester
Sandy Fry	City of Hartford
Stuart Popper	East Coast Greenway
Tony Cherolis	Center for Latino Progress
Peter Gillespie	Town of Wethersfield
Chris Squires	East Coast Greenway

CRCOG Staff

Tim Malone

Ryan Faulkner

Mike Cipriano

Roll Call

1. **Call to Order:** Tim Malone called the meeting to order at 12:07pm. Attendees were asked to introduce themselves.
2. **Public Forum**
Nobody chose to speak.
3. **Approval of Minutes of the June 30, 2020 meeting**
Tim Malone asked for a motion to approve the June minutes
Motioned by Patrice Carson; Seconded by Chris Squires
Motion was approved.
4. **Updates and news**
CRCOG Staff gave an overview of recent updates and news.
Tim Malone asked the group for ideas for future meeting presentations/discussions. Some of the ideas included: high-severity crashes; vision zero; techniques for mode-shift; traffic calming

in rural areas; school zone speed camera pilot project in Hartford; speed humps (application, spacing, where and when); presentation on Reimagine Main Street.

5. What's New in My Town

Individuals used this time to update the committee on news in their town:

- Transport Hartford/Center for Latino Progress
 - Created an interactive crash data map
 - Upcoming Governor's Council on Climate Change transportation breakout group meeting on September 23
 - October 1 forum on equity and transportation
 - Northeast Multi-modal Transportation Summit will be held on November 23
 - Holding an online walk/bike audit webinar November 17
 - November 21 tour of tactical urbanism projects in New Haven
 - BiCiCo bikes for jobs program is still going
- East Coast Greenway and East Hartford
 - Goodwin opened a new building at Ensign Street. The street went from being unlined to a double yellow center line. There was a discussion about why this is problematic.
- Andover
 - The Town is focused on the East Coast Greenway
 - Putting in new aprons where town roads cross the trail
 - Using a speed monitoring camera in the Lake District
- Manchester
 - LOTCIP application was approved
 - Created a trail connection from Case Mountain parking lot to the trail
 - Looking at installing RRFBs
 - Road by road analysis of bike lane suitability
 - Developing a bike master plan
 - Using existing paving projects to install bike lanes
 - Tim asked if the town would be willing to give a presentation on the road by road analysis in the future
 - Chris Squires asked about ownership of the last portion of the Cheney Trail. John DiBiasi answered that there are ongoing deliberations between CTDOT and the railroad.
- Wethersfield
 - Adopted a complete streets policy in the summer
 - Conducted a follow-up workshop with town staff, boards, and commissions to discuss implementing the policy
 - LOTCIP project for trail improvements along Great Meadow Road.
 - Wrapping up a bike and pedestrian plan
- Southington
 - DOT acquiring key property up to Town Line Road for the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail
 - Shovels should be in the ground in 2021
- Hartford
 - Close to finishing a complete streets plan
 - Addresses traffic signal design and crosswalk design

- Looking at Vision Zero as a policy
- Extension of River Walk is proceeding more slowly than anticipated. Out to bid in two years.
- Received grant money for south branch of the park river. Will be out with a RFP for a designer soon. Will extend the trail to Newfield.
- Using the paving plan to add bike lanes
- Installed temporary speed bumps on Flatbush Avenue
- Speeding is a big problem with numerous recent incidents
- Have become convinced that the city needs to have road features that prevent speeding
- Bolton
 - Working on a Community Connectivity Grant to connect the elementary school to the town hall area down Bolton Center Road.

6. Other Business

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07pm.