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Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Committee Meeting
241 Main Street, 3rd Fl. Hartford, CT, CRCOG Board Room
Tuesday, June 30, 2020
12:00 p.m.

| Name | Affiliation |
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| Amy Watkins | Watch for Me CT |
| Tony Cherolis | Center for Latino Progress |
| Eric Anderson | Town of Andover |
| Rob Phillips | Town of Southington |
| Stuart Popper | Andover |
| Allen Friedrich | Bike/Walk Glastonbury |
| Robert O'Connor | Bike/Walk Wethersfield |
| Peter Gillespie | Town of Wethersfield |
| Jed Kornbluh | Connecticut Cycling Advancement Program |
| David Ferland | State of CT Board of Education and Services for the Blind |
| Dave Buscarello | Citizen |
| Patrice Carson | Town of Bolton |
| Bruce Donald | East Coast Greenway |
| Jeff McCollough | Pioneer Valley Planning Commission |
| John Debiase | Town of Manchester |
| Sahar Amjad | Transport Hartford & Walk/Bike Rocky Hill |
| Mike Cornelius | State of CT Board of Education and Services for the Blind |
| Tony Philpin | USA Cycling – Bike West Hartford |
| Yanil Terron | Center for Latino Progress |
| Susan Smith | Citizen |
| Aaron Goode | Elm City Cycling |
| Jennifer Rodriguez | Town of Windsor Locks |
| Jackie Mandyck | iQuilt Partnership |
| Jerry Ledger | Citizen |

CRCOG Staff

Tim Malone
Matthew McCarthy
Caitlin Palmer
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 March 10, 2020 meeting**
Tim Malone asked for a motion to approve the March minutes
Motioned by Jen Rodriguez; Seconded by Jerry Ledger
Motion was approved.

4. **Updates and news**
CRCOG Staff gave an overview of recent updates and news.

5. **Annual Bike/Ped Count Data**

Matthew McCarthy gave a report on the annual 2019 bike/ped count and audit. He went over the results for 2019 and compared them to previous years. The committee discussed the results and provided suggestions for interpreting them.

6. **What's New in My Town**

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

- Center for Latino Progress/Transport Hartford
 - Hold a July 8 bicycle safety basic course with AARP
 - Backlog on repairs and sales at BiCiCo
 - Held an Essential Transit meeting on June 25 that was well-attended
 - Transit summit to be held on November 23
 - Currently looking for presenters
- Windsor Locks
 - Working on a complete streets project funded by LOTCIP grant
 - Montgomery Mill project is leasing
- PVPC
 - Starting to do a similar bike/ped count
 - ValleyBike is up and running again
- Walk/Bike Rocky Hill
 - Reaching out to the mayor for help with cleaning up trails
- Granby
 - 3 trail counters are not working right now
 - Route 20 crossing is still hazardous
- Glastonbury
 - Actively constructing a mile-long bike/ped trail on house street to the gateway development
 - Seeing a big uptick in biking/walking in town
- Manchester
 - Working on a local roads accident reduction project that will incorporate some transit stops
 - Putting together a bike route master plan
- Southington
 - Multi-use trail from lazy lane to Plainville town line is over 90% design
 - Spring of 2021 construction target

- East Coast Greenway
 - Plainville trail project should go out to bid in 2021/2022
 - Recreational trails funding has not yet been put on the bonding committee agenda
- Wethersfield
 - Passed a complete streets policy
 - Deployed 45 “hoop” bike racks
 - Working on a bike education program for 4th grade
 - Submitted a LOTCIP application in anticipation of Putnam Bridge Trail construction
 - Project on Highland Street and Wolcott Hill Road will include bike lanes and ped improvements
 - Working on a bike/ped plan as an addendum to the POCD
- BESB
 - Have been unable to work with the community due to the pandemic
 - Blind pedestrians are having difficulty due to changes to ped access at stores
- Bolton
 - Working on a community connectivity grant
 - Working on bicycle education with a sustainable ct grant
 - Have educators in town doing zoom course
- iQuilt
 - striping improvements along Charter oak Ave and a bike lane on the north side
 - bike repair station was installed at the Hartford Public Library last year

7. Other Business

David Buscarello asked about the status of the boat house to Windsor trail. It was answered that the property has been purchased. David also asked about the New Haven end of trail project. It was answered that the project needs to be rebid.

It was noted that many people on buses are not wearing masks.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25pm.