

Newburyport Livable Streets
Meet-Up / Discussion
May 1, 2018 – 7:00 to 8:45 pm
Newburyport Public Library – Children's Activity Room

Meeting Minutes

NE Grassroots Environmental Fund grant

(and other financial)\$150 dollar grant.

Rick applied for a tax ID and we can set up a bank account.

Need to find a person to manage the fund. Rick Taintor and Judy Tymon can be our treasurers.

Quick Items:

-Bike to school day tomorrow. All set up and ready to go take pictures! And do biker / walker counts.

-Bike Rodeo looks set to go. Need to bring Tables and more volunteers. Saturday.

-Little River dedication day. Coordinated by Jerry Mullins. How can NLA support and promote?

-Regarding the Whittier Bridge Trail. How can we get involved with the opening day. Who do we contact regarding that to promote and build an event around that?

-Need to Ask Wayne Amaral regarding the opening day of the rail trail. Is it worth coordinating the open streets event?

Firehouse event. Potential movie screening? "Why we cycle" \$900. Worth approaching the Screening Room? Sponsors? Riverside? Coastal Trails? We can also show Streetfilms which are open source. Perhaps at the documentary film fest? Waterfront movie night?

City Projects:

Safe Routes to school project. We need to do parking counts in that area of Buck to just past Toppans. 2 weekdays mid week, early before kids arrive peak morning then after peak (School / commuting time) then evening. Should also do during a school event. Do we add side streets? Juliet to create a sign up sheet for volunteers. Public meeting coming in June. Should we do outreach? We could broadcast via facebook live. State obligated to do public meeting and advertise it in the newspaper. We need to get our supporters to the meeting.

Complete Streets:

Judy spoke to Nancy London (cities part time grant writer) offered her help. State lowered cost of consultant fee to \$35K Putting out RFP to 3 vendors. Many recipients

use their town office as the official point of contact. Do we have a list of all the possible grants? Juliet saw sue brown. Manchester by the sea planner who recently got complete streets funding. Made it sound easy.

Hale Street Task force:

Nothing to report Wayne says he and Jon Eric need to work together to combine concepts. Waiting to hear more.

Rail Trail Phase 3

Looking to get more info and funding on this.

MVPC - Betsy Goodrich is a good point of contact. Allocates federal transportation funds. Allocate TIP Transportation Improvement Plan. Lets invite Betsy Goodrich to our meeting. How can MVPC can support us. Judy will talk to Betsy.

How to get projects added to the CIP?

Merrimac Street.

Christine reached out to Wayne. Lots of commentary regarding Pioneer League. Letter from Mayor. Issue involves parks department access via the Atkinson and Pioneer League. Added a gravel road.

Big impact on neighborhood and park and pioneer field. They are encroaching upon a major existing pedestrian way. Kim Duffy Turner is the president of the parks commission.

Bike Racks

NO new news but comment about Denise's flower shop with regarding commune café.

Website.

Is up and "initiative" page or section will be added. Conrad and Elizabeth can maintain. Can add authors and editors. Can add minutes and keep a history of efforts and initiatives. Is there a private section where we can do group communications. We should add complete streets section.

Emails / Mail Chimp

Juliet can give access to others.

Kathy Seekamp -

Fair and Liberty Street. Got the stop signs added to her corner Big walk and bike intersection connecting downtown and tannery. Get involved and go to TSAC committee.

Next meeting

June 5th

Alex Note: Would be good to put new business at the front of the agenda for visitors /

guests going forward.