NLS Meeting Notes

May 24, 2022 7pm – Public Library

Attendees: Rick and Sheila Taintor, Alden Clark, Ben Iacono, Juliet Walker, Ella Weber (remotely)

PRNWR Open Streets event -- June 25, 2022 10am to 3pm
- Close Refuge to motor vehicle traffic (with exception of shuttle)
- Ella Weber gave an overview of the planned activities and access to the event
- Asks:
  - Volunteers -- variety of needs (Ella will share, she is the point of contact)
  - Publicity -- help get out the word to people, City, schools, NLS lists, local newspaper contacts
- Ella will share fliers for publicity, social media
- If we know people who may be interested in running activities, reach to Ella

Three Roads Bicycle and Pedestrian Study
- MVPC staff shared draft study with Rick evaluating different alternatives for the location
- Plan to meet with City staff to get feedback

Merrimac St / Route 1 intersection improvements -- has been added to the TIP for FY 2027

Route 1 Bridge -- City is proposing to restripe the bridge as part of small bridge program through MassDOT, to reduce the number of lanes and add a bike lane in both direction

High Street Bike Lanes -- on the TSAC agenda, stay tuned!

Streets and Sidewalks Plan -- NLS submitted a letter to Mayor, no response from City to date, though Juliet has been in touch with Kim Turner who is interested in supporting more Complete Streets throughout the CIty

TSAC Subcommittee -- Safe Speeds/Streets (Rick is NLS rep, meeting on Thursday 5/24 before TSAC)

Other issue/concerns
- When do we want to open our meetings back up to the public?
- How else can we support Complete Streets implementation?
  - Complete Streets 101 workshop?
  - Design a community survey on people's transportation choices?
    - MVPC survey may be a good model and/or tool
- TSAC agenda - reviewed upcoming agenda for Thursday

To Do:
- Check on status of Hale Street with Jon Eric White
- Rick will draft a community engagement plan based on our notes tonight
- Check on status of our incorporation
- Help with outreach for Open Streets event