

Camden Rockport Bicycle and Pedestrian Pathways Committee
Camden Town Office, Minutes
Sept 5, 2012
7:10 pm

Present: Geoff Scott (minutes), Sani Fogel, Kathleen Bachus, Lynda Clancy, Anita Brosius-Scott

- Minutes – Aug minutes approved as written.
- New Agenda Items – None.
- Camden Committee Members - Kathleen has a couple ideas for Camden folks she'll pursue.
- Midcoast Bus Committee –This group is looking for smaller route btwn Thomaston and Camden. Determined first step is to do transportation study. So worked on developing RFP for doing transportation study and sending out to bid. This committee has listened to the person who set up the Brunswick trans system which is subsidized. Brunswick person believes our area (Camden/Rockland/Thomaston), or this corridor, couldn't support a local trans system without subsidies. Karker does Coastal Trans. The owner of Schooner Bay has been attending these meetings and is keen on bidding. Anita is advocating for bike racks on the buses also that the buses need to be fun to ride, through good marketing and good bus drivers. Next step is to get the RFP out.
- PR for the Committee - Lynda said she'd be happy to help with. All of us should feed her ideas.
 - Shirttail sidewalk extension - There was an informal meeting with 4 land owners, Brian Hodges, Rick Seibel, and Andrew Hedrich (from Gartley&Dorsky) about the proposed sidewalk placement on their properties. These are the only property owners where the sidewalk would cross over the ROW and affect their property. The meeting went well, didn't seem to be any insurmountable objections. Formal public input meeting set for Sept 25, 6:30 pm, Washington St Conf Room in Camden, all abutters invited plus an announcement will appear in the paper.
- Union St Cleanup – Oct 13, 2-4 pm, rain date Oct 14 – 2-4 pm. Need to put in paper, calendar, invite folks. Sani will speak with Beveridge about how he wants us to stack our cuttings. Purpose is to clear back encroachment overhead and from the sides.
- RES – redevelopment – make sure that along property, along the section facing West St, they are considering that a multi-use path would be constructed, not a sidewalk. Committee has no input on what an exercise trail around property should look like.
- Harborwalk – Town seems to be moving forward with marketing this route. Some signage has been created.

- Riverwalk – Anita met with Brian about lower section of Riverwalk. Trying to move toward letters of agreement. Brian suggested we need to create phases for this project. What would be Phase I, Phase II, etc. Brian feels that a study, an overall vision of what the Riverwalk would be, costs for easements, construction, design, etc. is needed. This would need to be done by an outside consultant. Action – Anita will discuss with Pat on identifying possible funding sources. To create a study – timeline. Probably would be a year prior to any action. Expense would need to go into budget. Action – Next meeting – Phases. **Action – Anita** will continue on with NPS.
- Suggestion – come up with bigger vision piece for what’s up with Pathways around both towns.
- RTP Grant App for Tannery? Due when? **Action - Geoff** will look into
- NPS – submit another app. Due when? **Action - Geoff** will look into
- Next agenda Green Downtown’s Program – **Action - Anita** will pursue getting Town to apply to be a Green Downtown.

Adjourned 9 pm

Next meeting Oct 3, Rockport