

**Complete Streets Task Force
MEETING
via ZOOM and in person.**

Monday, June 21, 2021

Approved Minutes

Present:

Committee: Toby Irven, Ethan Townsend, Kara McLuckie, David Murphy, Brian Gardam

Other: Carol Pynchon, Klaus Proemm, Leigh Rodriguez, Marty Miller

A. Call to Order

- a. Toby called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

B. Approve minutes from April 28, 2021 meeting.

- a. Klaus moved the approval of the April 28 minutes, Ethan seconded, all approved. Brian will submit the minutes for posting on the Canton website.

C. Old Business

- a. Judson St. update – Klaus and Marty

- i. Painting on the crosswalks to happen “soon.” Permanent signs to be erected. Klaus commented the table crossings are having a desired effect to slow down the traffic.

- b. Miner St. Project update

- i. Village

1. Marty reported the striping for the raised crosswalks will be brick red. The speed limit will be posted at 20 mph at the crosswalks. There was some discussion on Facebook about whether the neighborhood had wanted a raised crosswalk. Klaus noted that Kara had been effectively responding to those questions.

- ii. Town

1. Toby reported that the town is working with the utilities to move the poles. The electric lines have been moved, but Spectrum, Verizon, and SLIC (if any) have not been moved yet. Old poles cannot be removed until ALL utilities are moved.

- c. Roadway painting to mark trails

- i. Marty noted once we decide where the trail marking should be on the streets, we can decide where the no parking zones would be. Klaus suggested we try out the trail striping on Miner Street from Maple Street to the bridge, since there will be no parking there. The trail segment will be in green, with white for the driveways.

- ii. Toby reported he had heard concerns about using SLU colors to paint the raised crosswalks. Marty said the color to paint the stamped bricks is “red brick”, not SLU scarlet.

- d. CSTF member candidates.

- i. Toby had heard that Ken Williams might be interested on being on the Task Force. He will follow up with him, and told him he would forward the minutes.

- e. Update budget planning; further Judson St. improvements; at Social Serv. Bldg.

- i. Marty reported that the county is doing the bus lane marking in front of the DSS building.
The village will do some paving on places on the Remington trail where there are issues, along with some street areas. This is scheduled for July 19. Klaus reported that here is some money left in the budget for sidewalk projects.

D. New Business

- a. Working group to define “in-Village” Canton Trail connectors.
 - i. Toby said there is a need to define how we should be connecting the SLU trails, the Remington trail, and SUNY Canton trails. For example, Riverside Drive is an important access to SUNY Canton and the Remington Trail, but there is not enough room at the intersection with Main Street to define a bike lane. Dave Murphy suggested coming up with a list of best practices for defining bike lanes, rather than just putting up a “shared roadway” sign. Dave volunteered to draft a document.
 - ii. Kara, Marty, Dave, and Klaus volunteered to be on a working group. Toby asked them to arrange a meeting.
- b. Pathway from CCS to Sullivan Dr.
 - i. The task is to do something to eliminate parking on State Street during games by connecting the school to the playing fields. We need to get together with school to see if they can get them on board.
 - ii. Proposals discussed:
 - 1. The path would come off the street at the school parking lot, come down the hill in front of trees, and cross utility company properties. There is perhaps one property owner who would need to give okay. We would need to cross the culvert before Sullivan Drive. The school’s current soccer field is slated to become a parking lot. Marty noted that this would be the simplest way to build a path.
 - 2. It has been suggested to connect the school to the pathways within the ball field by improving or replacing the current gravel path that comes down from the back of the football field. Leigh pointed out that the pathways within the ball fields are for internal use to get around the ball fields and would not work as part of bikeway.
 - 3. Carol proposed to set meeting a meeting with the school. We should ask Ron Burke to pick school staff to be on the committee, and suggest that some board members be included, to meet with CSTF. There are some engineering designs that we developed for previous proposals. We should head for issuing meeting invitation in July.
- c. Draft proposal for new Village Street name signage
 - i. Marty: The new street signs will have a black fluted post with a finial on top. The village has not decided the color of the signs. The sample that was sent to Marty was scarlet on white. This might raise a concern of being overly influenced by SLU.

E. Committee Reports

- a. Canton Trail Signage Project – Toby
 - i. Toby reported that the signs for the Remington Trail are almost done. Toby discussing with Paul Mitchell to do a story for North Country This Week.

- b. Draft Village Code
 - i. Carol reported that this is underway. They are reviewing where the Complete Streets section best belongs.
- c. First reading/discussion of Town Code draft – On hold.
- d. Park of Imagine Nation and Remington Trail
 - i. Toby reported that Terry McKendree’s new sculpture has been done and has been placed in the park.

F. Other Business

G. Adjourn

- a. Toby adjourned the meeting at 1:20 pm.