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Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee meeting

7:30 AM to 9:00 AM on Thursday May 24, 2018

210 Main St., 2nd Floor City Hall, Planning & Sustainability, Northampton (use back door)

MEMBERS

Debin Bruce	Maggie Chan (DPW) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael DiPasquale
Wayne Feiden (Plan) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eric Boudreau <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	James Lowenthal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
David Paine	Jo-Ella Tarbuton	Ruthy Woodring <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

1. Public Comment: Alex Jarrett: Public Works should clear snow from sidewalks in areas where road walking is not safe- transportation equity for those who cannot drive. Councilor Jim Nash updated the committee on the update to the Traffic Calming Manual and exploring a 25 MPH *prima facie* speed limit on local roads.
2. Approve April 25, 2018 minutes (5-0) upon motion by Feiden and second by Boudreau.
3. ValleyBike stations, opening and parade (June 28, 2018)- Feiden updated the committee on the ValleyBike share rollout and opening.
4. On-going projects-- updates and discussion
 - A. Main Street redesign request for proposals- no updates, RFP not yet ready
 - B. City Hall accessibility improvements- under construction and includes curb extension for improved pedestrian safety.
 - C. Cracker Barrel Alley- under consideration to close the curb to vehicles so it becomes pedestrians and bicycles only. Committee members stressed not over-lighting the alley.
 - D. Form based code- no updates
 - E. Movable parklet- Hawley Street in front of Click Workspace selected for 2018 placement. There was a discussion of creating mapping for all permanent parklets
 - F. Bicycle and motorist education (James Lowenthal, Kris Badertscher)- no report. There was a discussion about presenting at the next Transportation and Parking Commission meeting on why it is safe for bicyclists to take the lane when bicycling in the road.
5. Friends of Northampton Trails and Greenways report out and discussion- Boudreau reported on the successful bike breakfast, the upcoming night ride, the 6/8 FNTG concern, and the Golden Spike Conference on July 27-28.
6. Next meeting date: Wednesday June 13, 2018 at 7:30 AM

The committee adjourned at 8:40 AM.

