

**TOWN OF FARMINGTON  
Bicycle Advisory Committee  
Minutes of Meeting Held  
Thursday, September 14, 2017  
Engineering Conference Room**

**Attendance:**

**Voting Members**

John Vibert (Chair) – Present  
Deanne Born – Present  
Ron Goralski – Excused  
Neil Kelsey – Excused  
John LaForest-Roys – Present  
Andris Skulte – Excused  
C.J. Thomas - Present

**Non-Voting Members**

Bruce Cyr (Town Liaison) – Present  
Doug Gerlach – Board Member, Bicycle Friendly Farmington (BFF)

The Bicycle Advisory Committee Chair, John Vibert, called the meeting to order at 6:52 pm.

**Public Comment:**

None

**Acceptance of Meeting Minutes:**

A motion was made (Born) and seconded (Thomas) to accept the minutes of the July 19, 2017 meeting, and was unanimously approved.

**New Business:**

1. Bicycle Projects update:
  - Trail Fence: Town is reviewing the condition of the Farmington River Trail fencing from River Road to Route 4.
  - Farmington Canal Heritage Trail: The bridge over Route 6 has been installed. It is anticipated the Bridge and trail construction should be completed in November 2017.
  - The Town is reviewing the condition of the pavement joint at the Oakridge Crossing.
  - The Committee requested the Town review the condition of the pavement joint at the Coppermine Road crossing.
2. The Bicycle Survey was added to the Town Website on March 13, 2017. The Committee reviewed a status update at the July meeting for the results as of July 19, 2017. Since this date, there have been four additional surveys submitted. Committee members were given copies of the updates. Members were informed the survey is still on the Town Website, however it has been removed from the home page to make room for current events. It was decided the Committee will review the summaries and utilize it for future project considerations.
3. The Committee requested information as to the feasibility of adding pedestrian phases to the signals along Farmington Avenue at Knollwood Road, Monteith Drive, and Brickyard Road.
4. The Committee requested the Town review the condition of the Meadow Road Trail, and consider widening the trail in the future. They also requested signage be installed to persuade garden plot users not park on the trail.

5. The Committee would like to review the feasibility of installing a sign on the north side of the trail head at Red Oak Hill Road, directing users to Unionville and Farmington Center, and the Town of Plainville. The sign would include a location map, as well as the potential for sponsors to include locations of their businesses.

**Old Business:**

1. The Committee was informed there has been no update regarding the awarding of any grants under the Connecticut Community Connectivity Grant. The Town had submitted a proposal for a sidewalk from Route 4/Farmglen Blvd to the intersection of South Road/Birdseye Road.
2. Review Sharrows and Bike Routes:  
The Committee discussed continuing with the installation of sharrows in other areas of Town. The Committee will review the legality and safety of these signs, and review the feasibility of additional signs or sharrows along planned routes.
3. Complete Streets:  
A complete streets policy has been drafted for discussion. This draft policy needs to be vetted through Town Departments and Commissions.
4. Plainville Bicycle Study:  
It was reported that “Alignment –C” has been approved by the Committee. They are making minor revisions to the plan based on comments. Final approvals are required before funding can be obtained for design and construction.
5. Connectivity to the Trail:  
Bruce Cyr will review the signage with the Highway Division and the Town Traffic Review Board.

**Next Meeting:**

The Bicycle Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on November 9, 2017.

A motion was made, and unanimously accepted to adjourn at 8:10pm.

cc:	Bicycle Advisory Committee	Kathleen A. Eagen, Town Manager
	Paula Ray, Town Clerk	Russell Arnold, Director of Public Works and Dev. Svcs.
	Deb Bull,	Paul Melanson, Chief of Police
	Bruce Cyr, Development/Zoning	Dawn Grayson, Transportation Coordinator, BOE
	Bill Warner, Town Planner	