



Sandwich Bikeways & Pedestrian Committee

Date: July 11, 2022
Time: 6:30 PM
Address: Sand Hill Community Center, Dewey Ave., Sandwich MA, 02537

Present: Committee Chair: Sean Polay
Committee Members: Bryan Hallas, Daryl Crossman, Peter Marancik, Linda Shelburne, John Scott (alternate)
Town Officials: Sam Jensen, Charlie Holden
Public: Steve Rhoads (VHB), Lee Rindfuss

Meeting called to order by Polay: 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

- June 13 minutes approved unanimously via voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND OPEN DISCUSSION

- None

CAPE COD CANAL-SERVICE ROAD CONNECTION FEASIBILITY STUDY – FINAL REPORT

- Jensen: Feasibility Study Final Report has been submitted. Thanked VHB and this Committee for their hard work to complete on time. Introduced some changes since the draft report, primarily estimated cost for each alternative.
- Rhoads: Provided summary of the changes since the draft report. Focused on table of estimated cost (Table 1) and summary of public input received during study development (added to Section 6.1).
- Members of the Committee asked questions and discussion followed with Rhoads, Jensen, and the Committee. Topics included:
 - Is it possible to add a new appendix with a table that combines cost table (Table 1) and feasibility ranking table from Section 6.1?
 - Question and discussion if estimated costs include road crossings. The estimated costs do account for road crossings.
 - Is it possible to add information on the discussions with MADOT, to be sure this important step in the process is captured in the report?
 - Are cost and length directly related? Yes, they are related but other route-specific cost factors are also included, e.g. need for cut and fill and retaining walls.
 - Discussion of use of open space/undeveloped property between Morse Rd and Charles Street. Jensen: Much of this area is a large private parcel, as well as topography issues in this area.

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- Discussion of available space along each alternative that would allow for a full-width Shared Use Path (SUP). Rhoads: the ranking and scoring matrix did take into account the width of public right-of-way along roadways. Jensen: is something that will be evaluated further as design moves forward.
- Next Steps
 - Jensen: next step in the feasibility study is to move ahead with one option (Option 2-1 from the study report), including gathering public feedback.
 - Rhoads: MASSDOT will want to work on an extension of the Service Road SUP to connect to Route 130 and the Route 6 underpass.
 - Committee discussed short-term option of reconfiguring Route 130 underpass vs. long term solution of a Route 6 flyover or SUP tunnel.
 - Discussion of funding options, Rhodes suggested recent process in Barnstable and Bourne are examples.
 - Holden: should this Committee consider another public forum? Discussion of presentation before Select Board, reaching out to Chamber of Commerce, Sandwich Public TV
 - Committee agreed next steps are to reach out to MASSDOT, and pursue a presentation before Select Board.

BIKE RACKS AND FIX-IT STATIONS

- Polay: Asked Committee to consider this item from last month's meeting.
- Crossman: asked about existing locations. Jensen: bike racks at just about every conservation area and beach parking lot. Fix-it stations at Harbor Master's office and skate park. He has a list, see also minutes from June meeting, could create a map. Map was provided to the Committee after the meeting (see attached).
- Polay: will look into options for signage.

NEW BUSINESS

- Polay: with Feasibility Study completed, is it an appropriate time for this Committee to consider the need/desire for a change in the Committee Chair? He is happy to continue if not. Quick agreement the Committee does not feel a change is needed.
- Crossman: Mentioned upcoming virtual Cape Cod Commission Transportation Improvement meeting on July 18.
- Crossman: asked Holden if Service Rd. improvements discussed at the last Select Board meeting were passed. Holden: yes.

Next meeting: August 8, 2022, 6:30pm, Sand Hill Community Center.
Adjourn: 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by John Scott
Date Approved: September 12, 2022