City of Essex Junction Bike/Walk Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes July 17, 2023

Meeting Attendees: Micah Hagan, Chris Kline, Mark Breslin, Tacy Lincoln, Russ Miller-Johnson, Philip Bieber

Meeting Called to Order: at 7:05 p.m. Chair Hagan welcomed new committee members, Russ Miller-Johnson and Philip Bieber.

Meeting Minutes: Tacy Lincoln volunteered to take minutes for the meeting. Minutes from the June 26, 2023 meeting were unanimously approved.

Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacon (RRFB) Update: The Lincoln and Central Streets RRFB has arrived (expenses will be included in the previous fiscal year's budget.) Micah will follow up with Ricky Jones about the installation process and time-line. As a point of clarification for new members of the committee, the BWAC is responsible for the oversight of the RRFB purchase and installation process of RRFBs.

Land Development Code (LDC) Update: Mark confirmed with Chris Yuen that the recent revisions to the LDC are in effect and on the website.

Google Bike Map Network: Chris Yuen is in the process of collating the data to develop a more formal map of the bike paths/lanes throughout the City. There will be a follow up at a subsequent meeting.

100 Mile Bike Fundraising Request: Mark is working with the event planners and has explored a couple of options in Essex Jct. However, given a number of logistical concerns and limitations (for example, the rain-date conflicts with the Halloween festivities at Maple Street Park), the event organizers will continue to seek alternative venues.

2023 National Night Out: This event is sponsored by police departments throughout the country on the first Tuesday of August. In Essex Junction, this event will be held on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, at the Essex High School parking lot. BWAC is welcome to participate. Russ expressed his willingness to represent BWAC and Philip proposed a couple of ideas for activities and will follow up with Mark to contact the event planners to confirm participation and Micah will find out if Local Motion plans to attend.

Future BWAC Projects: After some discussion about ideas and budget, Chris Kline proposed that the next BWAC meeting be dedicated to brain-storming ways in which BWAC can be involved in activities and how the BWAC budget might be utilized to support such efforts.

Next BWAC Meeting: August 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Meeting Adjournment: 7:42 p.m.