VILLAGE OF ESSEX JUNCTION BIKE/WALK ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2016 AT 5:45 PM LINCOLN HALL AGENDA

- Minutes Review.
- Meet with CTE Representatives on the Bike Rack Project.
 - Public Input.

MINUTES SUBJECT TO CORRECTION BY THE ESSEX JUNCTION BIKE/WALK ADVISORY COMMITTEE. CHANGES, IF ANY, WILL BE RECORDED IN THE MINUTES OF THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE.

VILLAGE OF ESSEX JUNCTION BIKE/WALK ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING OCTOBER 17, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Hamlin, Jud Lawrie, Eric Bowker, Gabe Epstein, Raj Chawla

ADMINISTRATION: Darby Mayville, Community Relations/Economic Development Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

Rick called the meeting to order at 5:49 PM.

2. AGENDA ADDITONS

None.

3. MINUTES REVIEW

MOTION by JUD, SECOND by RAJ, to approve the September meeting minutes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

MOTION by JEFF, SECOND by RAJ, to approve the August meeting minutes. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

While looking over the minutes, Raj asked how the FCFM tabling event had gone. Rick said that they had only been able to speak with 5 or 6 people. The BWAC was able to give out all of their blinkers and raffled off two helmets.

Raj noted that the state Health Department was currently conducting a health impact assessment on bussing for the new Essex/Westford Supervisory Union. They are looking for data sources, and Raj asked the committee to send them any information that they might be aware of.

Rick said that a survey of students would be helpful, and noted that there seem to be far more kids who walk home from school than walk to school.

4. CTE BIKE RACK COLLABRATION

Rick told the committee that he had spoken to Bob Travers, the CTE Principal, about this project. Bob had arraigned a meeting between Rick and several instructors. They liked the idea, especially the fact that they could set the style of bike racks to accommodate the student's skill level. CTE will need to know where the committee would like the bike racks placed, and what specs they should use when building them.

Rick showed the committee several images of creative bike racks.

Jud noted that some people or businesses may see the bike racks and wish to have one made similarly. Rick said that his business, Hamlin Engineering, would be interested in sponsoring one to have in front of their offices.

Raj noted that we would need to ensure that there is enough space for a bike to be placed in any of the bike racks. He added that it would be good to have a place to put the names of the students who worked on the bike rack on a plaque so that they can feel a sense of ownership.

Rick encouraged all members to think of potential specs and send them to him. He hopes to have this information to CTE by the end of the month.

Jeff asked if the arts academy would be involved. Rick said that he plans on talking to them, but that the CTE instructors want to make sure that anything that they design would not be too complicated for the students to construct.

Raj suggested talking to Burlington artist Kat Clear, who designed a metal bike rack that is in front of Radio Bean.

Raj asked if there would be any zoning permits needed for the bike racks.

Rick said that he did not think so but would check in with Development Director Robin Pierce.

The committee brainstormed some design ideas, and Rick said that he felt that it was best to leave the design aspect to CTE. They may be interested in doing different designs based on student skill level.

Jeff suggested asking CTE to construct benches and garbage cans to accommodate pedestrian needs.

5. NEXT MEETING & AGENDA

The next meeting will be held on November 14th at 5:45 PM. The agenda is as follows:

- Minutes approval;
- Discuss locations and number of proposed bike racks;
- Meet with CTE instructors:
- Public input.

6. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by GABE, SECOND by JUD to ADJOURN. Adjourned at 6:40 PM. MOTION PASSED.

Respectfully submitted, Darby Mayville.