

Minutes from BWAC Meeting on May 16th, 2022

Attending: Micah Hagan, Chris Kline, Aaron Todd, Annie Cooper, Stefan Fetterhoff, Carolyn West, Evan Lawrence, Eric Bowker, Seth Cronin

- Discussed Chittenden County Regional Active Transportation Plan
  - Summary: Chittenden County is looking for public input on walk bike barriers and corridors.
  - There is an interactive map that the public can add comments to.
  - Should look to ask Essex Junction to publish link on Facebook page or Front Porch Forum.
  - Susie Wilson Road to Five Corners is not very pedestrian friendly, no bike lane from Susie Wilson Road to West Street.
  - It was mentioned Park Street near Karen's Closet is not bike friendly.
- Chris and Annie gave an overview of the seminars they attended at the Vermont Bike/Walk Summit.
  - Dr. Levine gave a talk on [complete streets](#).

Definition of Complete Streets

“Complete Streets is an approach to planning, designing, building, operating, and maintaining streets that enables safe access for all people who need to use them, including pedestrians, bicyclists, motorists and transit riders of all ages and abilities”

- Overviews of the following presentations Penny for Paths, VTrans Bike Path and Pedestrian Strategic Plan, Better Places, Commute Incentive Program, Bike Count Program, Sustainable Transportation, and Storytelling For Advocacy.
- Carolyn and Annie to go to future school board meeting to discuss education for safety for biking and walking to school.
- Add discussion for Essex Junction master bike/walk plan to next month meeting.
  - Items should be broken into short, medium and long term goals.
  - BWAC members to come up with their individual list of goals before next meeting.
  - Micah and Annie to get a google sheet together so members can add their ideas.
- No update on repair of RRFB crossing
- Community event update
  - Village is planning multiple events this year after separation.
  - BWAC should look into one of these, potential bike tour.
- Discussed new Local Motion programs.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm