

3A Task Force

Minutes: 8/22/18 Meeting

Approved: 9/10/18

Attendees:

Committee Members: Deirdre Anderson, Bryce Blair, Alan Perrault, Judy Sneath

Town Representatives: Engineering Dept -- Roger Fernandes, Harry Sylvester, Tom Molinari

Participating Guests: HFD Steve Murphy;

Discussion Topic:

1. Motion by Alan Perrault, seconded by Bryce Blair, to adopt minutes from June 20, 2018 meeting. Unanimously approved.
2. Town Engineer, Roger Fernandes, made a brief report on **status of analysis of data collected** during Pilot Road Diet, in advance of **presentation of findings**. Roger pointed out that all raw data collected during pilot is being reviewed by MassDOT and 3rd party consultant they hired (VHB) and report is expected during September when information will be made available for general public. Roger stated that the end of the Pilot also represents the end of data collection process as this project had more traffic count/turning movement/data collection than any such study ever overseen by the State.
Project Consulting Engineer, David Giangrande of DCI, then made presentation on the pre-25% design (conceptual phase). The presentation included conceptual plans for pedestrian, vehicular and bicycle lanes through the study corridor.
3. **Updates from working groups, and discussion of next steps.** The Committee then discussed the efforts of the working groups between Otis Hill and the Rotary. The 1st discussion was the Otis Hill to Bathing Beach towards North Street with committee members Alan Perrault and Bryce Blair describing their meeting with Town Engineers and DCI including accommodating improved pedestrian and bicycle access for Otis Hill neighborhood through reconfiguration of striping/travel lanes leading to Bathing Beach traffic light. Citizen Clark Frazier pointed out need to accommodate MBTA bus stop that occurs in this area. Next area discussed was the North Street/3A and Water Street/3A intersections which were reviewed by Committee Chair Judy Sneath and Paul Healey with Town Engineering and DCI. It was explained that while an initial plan called for eliminating left turn onto Water Street coming from Rotary, the revised plan as explained by David Giangrande called for a longer queue lane for left turns onto Water and North Streets while allowing through traffic to proceed in right lane heading north. Mr. Giangrande also pointed out the design challenges in accounting for pedestrian and bicycle access through this section due to the limits of the road layout and that a narrow easement or "taking" of Town land on the water side may be necessary to accommodate this.
4. Discuss work plan and set upcoming meeting schedule. Next meeting was scheduled for Monday September 10, 2018 at 7 PM at Town Hall.
5. Citizen Clark Frazier submitted a letter with his comments on Lane Diet Pilot.
6. Adjourned at 9:15 PM

Documents Reviewed: Conceptual plans with DCI.

Minutes Submitted by: Alan Perrault

Upcoming meeting Schedule: Sept 26th, Oct 11th