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## Sandwich Bikeways & Pedestrian Committee

**Date:** May 09, 2022

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Address:** Sand Hill Community Center, Dewey Ave., Sandwich MA, 02537

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

Meeting called to order by Polay: 6:31 p.m.

### APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

- April 11 minutes approved unanimously via voice vote

### PUBLIC COMMENTS AND OPEN DISCUSSION

- None

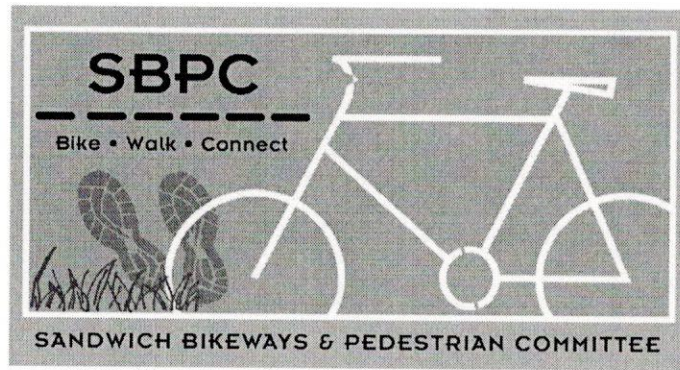
### CAPE COD CANAL-SERVICE ROAD CONNECTION FEASIBILITY STUDY

- Steve Rhoads, VHB: Provided an update on the Feasibility Study.
  - Initial field work is complete
  - Stakeholder meetings ongoing, have met with the following:
    - USACE re. Freezer Road and connection to Canal Path.
    - MA Fish and Wildlife re. potential route through the Fish Hatchery. Initial response indicated it may be feasible, but they need to check further.
    - DCR and MADOT re. route within Shawme Crowell State Forest. DCR would want to avoid campground roads. A route along Rt. 6 may be an option, including placement within the DOT right-of-way.
- Committee asked questions about the process and various route options, and discussion with Rhoads followed.

### SERVICE ROAD SHARED-USE PATH UPDATE

- Rhoads: MADOT now reviewing 100% design, comments are due next week, final due in June. On target to advertise for construction contract in late summer.
- Crossman: Reiterated he will not support a final design that does not include more crosswalks for safety reasons. Feels MADOT is dropping the ball in not addressing this now.
- Rhoads: would be possible to add additional crosswalks in the future.





#### BIKE RODEO: LEARNINGS AND NEXT STEPS

- Hallas: Held Sunday May 1, 11-1 at Oak Ridge. Attendance was light. Lessons learned to increase attendance for future events – avoid the Little League parade, and perhaps also more advertising directly in the schools.

#### TOWN OFFICE PEDESTRIAN ACCESS UPDATE

- Jensen: waiting on a paving schedule.

#### QUAKER MEETING HOUSE/COTUIT ROAD UPDATE

- Jensen: no updates for Cotuit Rd. For QMHR and Rt. 130 intersection, Town Meeting approved moving ahead with the improvements.

#### REC DEPARTMENT MOUNTAIN BIKE PROGRAM UPDATE

- Polay: Spring program started last week and will include 6 weeks total. 13 kids attended.

#### MAPLE SWAMP UPDATE

- Polay: NEMBA is planning a work weekend in near future to install the pavilion at the parking area.
- Polay: The Trailforks App that includes mountain bike trails now officially recognizes the Oak Ridge trails.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Polay: Bourne Bike Committee is applying for a Mass Trails grant for Phase 4 of the connecting path between the Canal Path and Shining Sea Bikeway and have requested a letter of support from Sandwich Bike Committee, similar to in the past. Will the Committee vote to send them a letter?
- A motion was made and seconded to take a vote. The Committee then voted unanimously in favor of sending a letter of support.
- Holden: asked about timing of the Service Road Shared Use Path construction bids. Jensen: late fall would likely be the earliest, or maybe this winter.

Next meeting: June 13, 2022, 6:30pm, Sand Hill Community Center.

Adjourn: 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by John Scott

Date Approved: June 13, 2022