

MINUTES
WEST HARTFORD PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY August 13, 2018
WEST HARTFORD TOWN HALL, ROOM 400
Next Meeting SEPTEMBER, 10TH 2018 @7:00PM ROOM 400

Board Members in attendance: Ken Livingston, Daniel Johnson, Scott Franklin, Mary Ellen Thibodeau, Sandy Frye, Dan Firestone, Jim Greene,

Town Staff in Attendance: Mayor Sherri Cantor, Councilman Benjamin Winograd, and Director of Human Services Helen Rubino-Turco

- 1) Mary Ellen Thibodeau – regarding the North Main Street bridge repair, the Town hopes to obtain funding with a Spring 2019 start date, during construction time, North Main Street will have only one lane in each direction for operation. During construction time, a temporary light will be installed near the bridge to regulate traffic. Mary Ellen Thibodeau directed the town staff attending to look into the City of Alexandria which conducted a road diet to evaluate impact and long-term results. Scott Franklin read the letter sent by Duane Martin which discusses the North Main St road diet. Ben Windergrad brought up Farmington Ave Road Diet, and the impacts it had on the community residents. Mayor Sherri Cantor, talked about plans for the economic development and leisure services to look at the Plan of Development for the Town. Mayor Cantor, commented on audience questions regarding the resistance to move forward with the road diet.
- 2) The Bishops Corner Neighborhood association is looking for members to be part of the Task Force being formed to analyze the intersection of Albany Ave and North Main Street.
- 3) Daniel Johnson reported on the letter received by Duane Martin regarding the Hillcrest Neighborhood
- 4) Update on local recreational bike routes. The routes are signed well, and feedback was positive. Helen Rubino-Turco, discussed the Orange route concerns with the route going through Bugbee playground. At this point, the school is going to monitor the situation.
- 5) Ken Livingston and Sandy Frye, on Asylum Ave proposal change. There is concern about travel lane width when buses and larger pushing up near cyclists. No vote was made at this time.
- 6) ICan bike program was held at Conard High School on July 23rd to July 27th had 40 children throughout the course of one week.
- 7) 2018 Multimodal & Transit Summit in Hartford 11/19/2018
- 8) Lime Bike Share met with West Hartford Town staff and the town appears to have interest in accepting Lime Bike to West Hartford on a trial basis
- 9) Park Road parade October 6th, 2018. The Commission will be participating.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40PM

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Johnson, Board Member
West Hartford Pedestrian and Bicycle Commission