

## **Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)**

Meeting **Notes** for May 5, 2014

Submitted by Chris Dippel

The meeting took place in the Town Hall Room 408 at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Cynthia Snow, Bryan Decker, John Dempsey, Chris Dippel, Thomas Vitolo

Public: John Bowman, Mitch Heineman, Rebecca Albrecht

Handouts: agenda

**Because a notice of the meeting was not posted, Ms. Snow informed the attendees that the meeting was to be informal and informative only.**

### **Review and Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings- postponed to next meeting**

#### **Bike Parade Update**

- Mr. Dempsey reported progress on preparations for the parade, and attendees reviewed efforts for publicizing the event. Mr. Dempsey outlined day-of-tasks and asked for coordinators:
  - Greet vendors- Cynthia
  - Run Hubway raffle- TBD
  - Organize parade leaders- Guss
  - Set up and scout Cottage Farm route- Bryan
  - Give away tee-shirts- Rebecca (done at registration)
  - Give away bike bells- Mitch and Bryan (need screw drivers)
  - Registration- TBD
  - Organize photography- Austin
- Additional volunteers may be Ken Goldstein, Neil Wilshinsky Ben Franco, from CERT, from BAC email list

#### **Capital Projects Planning**

- Ms. Snow noted there was no new action; memos were submitted.

#### **Bike to School Program**

- Mr. Decker reported the program given by Laura of MassBike at the Driscoll School on April 30 for the fourth graders ran 45 minutes and went well.
- Mr. Bowman mentioned that the Newton town program is for sixth graders and is coordinated by Steve Heinrich whom he will connect to Bryan.

#### **League of American Cyclists Application**

- Ms. Snow asked for ideas for the following sections and attendees suggested:
  - Reasons Brookline is a bicycle-friendly community
    - Town support with policy and funding for accommodations for more than five years
    - Annual Bike Parade
    - High number of bicycle commuters living in town
  - Improvements needed
    - Education of cyclists and motorists
    - More low-stress bikeways
    - Safe and accessible bike storage

- Town multi-mode transportation coordinator

### **Other Business**

- Kate Toomey's adult ed class will be this Thursday and Cynthia, John, and Bryan will attend.
- Ms. Snow discussed the request by Steve Miller of Livable Streets for a Brookline participant at the June 23 panel. The committee thought that Josh Safer would be a good representative.

### **Next Meeting**

- The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 4.