Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC)
Meeting Minutes for September 7, 2016, Town Hall Room 408 at 7:00 PM.
Submitted by Kristen Schreiber

Members present: Tommy Vitolo, Nathanial Fink, John Dempsey, Kristin Schreiber, Cynthia Snow, Bryan Decker, Officer Brian Sutherland (police liaison)
Public: John Bowman, John Harris, David Kroop, Hudson Doyle

1. Three BAC openings: Among characteristics we would like to see: expertise in transportation engineering, social media, event planning, town meeting member, representation of a broad cross section of community demographically
   - Posting will go to TAB and in email to everyone on BAC list (1,400+)
   - Applications go to Todd Kirrane, who will forward them to us for review in October

2. Projects for FY2018 CIP funding: Transportation Dept is doing an estimate of the cost of Essex-Dummer intersection for submission for CIP funding

3. September Bike Counts
   - All intersections are assigned.
   - Next time, counting left turns at Beacon and the following intersecting streets: Washington, Harvard, Carlton; would be good to estimate need for bike boxes
   - Before next year, evaluate the counting project for possible changes

   - Hammond Street—Together with Livable streets will hold a workshop in late winter/early spring to solicit community input for proposal for Hammond street
   - Will spend more time on Green Routes Plan in coming meetings to prepare revisions for 2017

5. Report on Coolidge Corner safety study: Organized by Mass DOT, Walk Boston, and Mass Bike, to look at ways to improve safety in this area for all users--report will be coming out soon. Cynthia Snow, Dan Martin (Transportation Dept), Abby Swain (PTAC), Scott Englander (Transportation Board) were among Brookline participants

6. Brook-on-line categories: Would be good to add a couple more bike related categories, such as: “Bike lane issues” (e.g. Glass in bike lane, Obstruction in bike lane, Bike lane lines gone/faded) and Bike facility issues (e.g. Damaged bike racks)
   - Kristin Schreiber will talk to Town IT (Kevin Stokes)

7. New bike corral in Coolidge Corner near Upper Crust Pizza: discussed mechanisms for getting feedback on this including soliciting feedback through blast email; will revisit in October regarding whether to have flyers attached to bikes in the corral directing to website for feedback or getting some kind of count of usage.

8. Updates
   - Beacon Street westbound, Marion St to Westbourne Terrace- pending approval from DOT to install this fall (as preferred by Town Meeting) or next spring
   - Traffic Demand Management Proposal – Cynthia Snow and others met twice with Kara Brewton, who is developing final proposal
• Hubway update: Contract currently being negotiated with possibility of more stations for Brookline; may be considered by Town Meeting next spring. Will include update (and free Hubway trial on Saturday, Sept 10) in blast email

9. Other business
• Upcoming talk: Climate action Brookline: “Bicycles as a Climate Solution” by Dr. Kaufmann from BU earth sciences program; Town Hall 103, 7 pm, Monday September 12th (will include in blast email)
• New law just passed on reducing speed limits in cities and towns; will be warrant article before Town Meeting

10. Next meeting: Monday, October 3, 2016

2016 meeting dates, all meetings in Room 408, Town Hall: (First Monday of the month, except as noted: WEDNESDAY September 7, October 3, November 2016 date is changed to WEDNESDAY, November 2, December 5.

2017 meeting dates, all meetings in Room 408, Town Hall: (First Monday of the month unless noted): WEDNESDAY, January 4; February 6; March 6; April 3; WEDNESDAY, May 3; June 5; WEDNESDAY, July 5; August 7; WEDNESDAY, September 6; October 2; WEDNESDAY, November 2; December 4