



Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

At 3:30 PM

Via ZOOM

MINUTES

Members Present: Ian Golding (Vice-Chair), Edwin Claflin, Michel Kremer, John Mynttinen, Joseph Topham, RJ Turcotte

Members Absent: Laura Walters

Staff Present: Mike Burns

Others Present: Michael Gormley, Lynn Filipski

1. Administrative Items

- a) Call to order
 - Chair called meeting to order at 3:33PM
- b) Establishment of a Quorum
 - The Chair declared a quorum present
- c) Election of Officers – Chair and Vice-Chair
 - Ian G nominated himself for Chair, seconded by Joseph T
 - Ian G elected Chair by unanimous vote
 - RJ T nominated himself for Vice-Chair, seconded by John M
 - RJ T elected Chair by unanimous vote
- d) Approval of Agenda
 - Motion to approve by Ian G and seconded by John M
 - There was unanimous approval of the agenda by rollcall vote
- e) Approval of Minutes – September 21, 2023
 - Minutes were not included in meeting materials and will be approved at next meeting.

2. Action and Discussion

- a) NanTukTuk Pedicab: Review request for amendments to Chapter 316 (Pedicabs) of the Town Regulations, including:
 - i. § 316-1 allowing pedal assist bicycles;

- Michael G described the benefits of pedal assist for the pedicab service.
- BPAC members had no objection to this item.
- ii. § 316-2(A) to allow for four (4) pedicab licenses;
 - Michael G described the benefits of expanding the number of licenses from 2 to 4, noting that there were not complaints of the service during the pilot period.
 - BPAC members had no objection to this item.
- iii. § 316-2(P) allowing fees for pedicab service (vs gratuity);
 - Micheal G described the need to use a set fee for the service instead of the gratuity based system.
 - Michel K asked what the fee would be for users and if it would be similar to taxi fees.
 - Michael G did not provide a specific fee and noted the need to keep it reasonable and fluctuate based on the season. He also noted the service was different from taxi service and would likely have a different fee structure.
 - Edwin C asked if the pedicab service used all of the pilot service area zone that was allowed, and if the fee would be based on zones.
 - Michael G responded that all of the service area was used. He also noted that the fee charged would be flexible and based on time of year or season.
 - There was general discussion of rates strategies
 - Ian G noted that there was consensus that there is a need for a posted pricing structure for users.
- iv. § 316-4 (A)(3) extending service area map.
 - Mike B described the changes recommended by Traffic Safety Work Group, which removed Quaker Rd, Prospect St, Sparks Ave, and the Milestone Rotary from the service area.
 - Edwin C asked about width restrictions for vehicles on sidepaths, reasons for avoiding some roads from the service area, and what the minimal speed limit is for the downtown area.
 - Mike B responded that the pedicabs are prohibited from sidepaths, and the service area tried to avoid the truck route in the downtown area.
 - Michel K ask if the area could be extended to Crooked Ln.
 - Mike B responded that that had not been discussed.
 - RJ T asked where there would be a stand or pick up area.
 - Michael G responded that there generally isn't a set standing location other than Nantucket Hotel, Jetties Beach, and some private property locations.
 - There was discussion of the Bartlett Farm Rd area between the brewery and the brewery parking lot, and having the service area extend to the Bartlett Farm Market.

- Michael G noted that the pedicabs would be dropped off in the service area rather than driven to the corridor.
 - Ian G declared consensus to support all four requests as presented changes to the service area map changes to remove Quaker Rd, Prospect St, Sparks Ave, and Milestone Rotary, and with a recommendation for a posted price structure.
- b) Mid-Island Complete Streets projects – review design options
- Mike B discussed the status of the Pleasant St design alternatives being reviewed by the NP&EDC and Select Board, and described the design evaluation needed for the section of Pleasant St between Daves St and West Creek Rd with a one-way traffic flow.
 - There was general discussion of lane configuration design and need to separate bike traffic from the travel lanes.
 - Edwin C asked that the posted speed limit be shared on the renderings.
 - Michel K needed to leave the meeting.
 - No action taken.
- c) Bicycle Safety Campaign
- Mike B described the coordination between Planning, Communications, and the Chamber of Commerce on promoting bicycle safety during summer 2024.
 - There was general suggestions for encouraging bike registration, for sticker design changes the e-bike stickers, and suggestions for reaching out to bike shops.
 - No action taken.

3. Other Business

- a) Committee Comment
- Ian G asked for an update on the removal of stop signs on bike paths.
 - Mike B shared that this issue was discussed at Traffic Safety and staff will have on-going site visits with the DPW Director to refine recommended changes for review at future Traffic Safety meetings.
- b) Public Comment
- No public comments.

4. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Joseph T and seconded by RJ T.
- The meeting was adjourned at 5:01PM

Submitted by:
Mike Burns