2020 January Minutes
W Young (Chair), Hugh Mellert (Recorder), Rob Houseman, Scot Drsdale (IT), Lara Acker, Tim Cox.

• Minutes December 2019- approval

• Housekeeping
  • 2020 Dates- Are these OK? 2/6,3/5,4/2,5/7,6/2
    • Continue summer meetings 7/2 and 8/6. 9/3, 10/1,11/5, 12/3
    • Murray meeting room reserved 4:30 to 6:30- Howe. Janice Grady
  • Recorder: Rotate recorder. Hugh M volunteered.
  • Ann Bracken- New member. Nominated and unanimously approved.
  • New members recruitment needs and process. More members are welcome for ideas, expertise, work on projects and representation.
    2. Invite individuals who contact the HBPC with public input to join. Questions are usually answered with a phone call, email and invitation to attend the next HBPC meeting.
    3. Towns Newsletter- ask for volunteers (Chair- I need help with this)
    4. Emily Herman- Dresden Neighborhood. Attended one HBPC meeting. Bill Y will contact her and encourage her to join.

• Public Input
  • Pedestrian safety messages planned:
    1. Valley News and Dartmouth D (Bill)- Message Draft- Another tragic pedestrian accident recently occurred in the Upper Valley. Darkness was a factor. The Hanover Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee has distributed 1,000 reflective arm bands to increase the visibility of college students and town citizens. Please be careful, be visible and carry a light or wear reflective material. Make it a habit. Your cell phone light is a good back up, Turn it on, wave and hold it up before you cross the street.
    2. Vox Dartmouth Bulletin ( Hugh
    3. Athletes- Recommend reflective outer gear for athletes
      a. Lara A will contact Hanover High Athletic Director
      b. Bill Y will contact Dartmouth Athletic Director, trainers and coaches .
  • Grant application to America Walks for $1,500- not funded.
    2. Award winner list not available yet. https://americawalks.org/

• Winter Biking
  • Winter Bike Commuting guide is posted on the HBPC Page- town web
  • Winter Warrior Biking event soon. Sponsored by Vital Communities.

• Project Thank You- Lara
  • Logo concept reviewed and looks good.
• Tweaks- Consider different disability icon.
• Bike Ped Committee- discussion about possible misinterpretation of Ped
• Team to review and return with recommendations
• Size and Use- 3 to 4 inch is likely best. Use as HBPC letterhead, Thank You decal, etc.

• Dartmouth College Master Plan Bike Ped update-
  • Pedestrian Bridge to Med School/Life Sciences campus discussed.
  • Final use approvals pending with town
  • Data- recommend spring collection to determine changes
    • Basic simultaneous bike ped counts N. College and bridge
    • See N. College counts 2018 in Projects – Data and counts
    • https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1eza0TA6jLbnVVgsn4DX3jaro6FSE8mIT
    • “Destination” counting system options were discussed.

• Town Planning and DPW Report- Rob Houseman
  • HBPC did not meet with DPW and town planner in December
  • Etna and Greensboro- Lara A and Rob H
    • DPW director will report to select board on the details of road infrastructure from Greensboro #120 junction to Rudsburo Road.
    • Etna residents are requesting that the town accept ownership from the state and then begin upgrading.
    • Motive for upgrading is to improve bike-ped infrastructure including safety and attractiveness.
  • Complete Streets, Denmark Experience and rethinking Main Street
    • Rob H reported that the town is exploring Main Street changes to calm traffic more, enhance the pedestrian experience and help businesses.
    • Road dieting, parallel versus diagonal parking, sidewalk widening, on-street dining (café) space and social spaces are being explored.

• Micro-mobility Work Group- R. Houseman, Tim Cox, Jennie C.
  • State police and planners are working on definitions and guidelines.
  • Town must abide by state laws for safety, liability and other reasons.
  • Cities (Concord and Nashua?) are independent and may start some bike and/or scooter programs.
  • Work group will keep us posted.

• Crash Report- None known,
  • Scott Rathburn, Hanover Police unable to attend. Dartmouth Safety and Security does not have a representative now.
  • “Incident Report” recommended instead of Accident or Crash,
  • Weather, geometry and operator error components of investigation were explained by Rob Houseman.

• HBPC Priority List- Proposal for Review by Town Planner, College Planner and interested HBPC Members. Is it up to date? Is ranking system appropriate?
  • HBPC approved core group reviewing the priority list.
• Review the list for completeness, college master plan impact, projects that might be connected (combining or linking), projects that are completed or partially complete, etc.
• Review and refine the Point System for the Priority List
• Send the 2020 Updated List to Committee members for rescoring.
  • Changes of HPBC membership over the years have and will impact our priorities

• Chairs Report- What are the goals and vision of the HBPC for 2020?
  • Is it time for a Bicycle and Pedestrian Community Outreach meeting?
    • Dartmouth’s Master Plan will change foot and bike traffic patterns,
    • HBPC Priority listing will benefit from community input and help.
    • Complete Street concepts like Main Street require public support and education.
    • What education programs do the college and town want?
    • Tabled until next meeting.

Adjourn 6 PM.
Next Meeting Thursday @ 4:30 Feb 6, 2020