



**Town of Amherst, NH
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
DRAFT MINUTES**

Brick School Meeting Room

Wednesday, 18 September 2019, 6:00 PM

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee members in attendance were: Chris Buchanan; Rick Katzenberg; Carolyn Mitchell; Chris Shenk; Judy Shenk; Patrick Daniel; George Bower; John Harvey; Wendy Rannenberg
Staff in attendance included: Eric Hahn, Director of the Public Works Department; Simon Corson, Planner

OLD BUSINESS

I. Budgeting Options

Chris Buchanan called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

There was extensive discussion about upcoming 2020 road construction projects and how to provide funding for multimodal treatments during road construction. The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee's subcommittee has met with the Department of Public Works Director, Eric Hahn. The subcommittee intends to present options to the Board of Selectmen and Ways & Means Committees in October.

Given Mr. Hahn's attendance, the group had a thorough discussion about coloring pavement. Mr. Hahn and Mr. Buchanan have both reached out to paving companies to understand how color is added to pavement functionally. While a project has not yet been identified to be treated with colored pavement, there were conversations about cost per linear feet using rough estimates.

II. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Public Meeting

Mr. Buchanan stated that a public meeting will be held tomorrow, Thursday, September 19th at 7pm at Souhegan High School to present the *Amherst Multimodal Master Plan* to residents. During the public meeting, Mr. Buchanan will collaborate with Mr. Hardner to make a presentation. Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity for the public

30 to ask questions. Mr. Buchanan asked Committee members to attend and to encourage their
31 neighbors to come as well.

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33 **III. Off-Road Implementation Discussion**

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35 Mr. Buchanan discussed an ongoing list of off-road ideas and how to proceed with their
36 planning and coordination with Amherst Conservation Commission. Mr. Buchanan
37 explained that the Committee has generated a list of off-road trail ideas, and is currently
38 receiving input from public, as well as reviewing documents from past planning efforts.

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40 **NEW BUSINESS**

41 **IV. Updates from Office of Community Development**

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43 Mr. Corson spoke about the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) 10
44 Year Plan public hearing schedule. Notably, public hearings are planned for September 25th
45 in Nashua and September 26th in Milford. For the first time, the NHDOT will also have an
46 online survey where respondents can inform the Department of their budgetary and project
47 preferences. Mr. Corson stated that among other projects planned for Amherst, an off-road
48 trail from Baboosic Lake Road to Embankment Road is in the DRAFT NHDOT 10 Year
49 Plan.

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51 **V. Good of the Order**

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53 The next Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee is October 16th at 6pm in the Brick
54 School Meeting Room.

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56 *The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.*

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59 Respectfully submitted,
60 Simon Corson