Minutes

Eatontown Complete Streets Advisory Committee (ECSAC)

Date | time 14 July 2019 from 10 AM to 11:30 AM | Meeting called to order by Candace Faust

# Attendance

**Present**: Candace Faust (chair), Kevin Halvorsen, Barbara Stark, Joe Calandra, Steve Fratini (secretary), Janice Grasso, Tonya Rivera

**Not Present**: Erik Brachman

# Approval of Minutes

Minutes from 5 June 2019 were approved (all in favor).

# Agenda

* Roll call
* Approval of minutes from the previous meeting on June 5, 2019
* Discuss and comment on almost final Report concerning “Complete Streets Technical Assistance”
* Regulations concerning bike markings on roads (Kevin)
* DOT funding (Candace)
* Expansion of walk in our parks to include walks between parks (Janice)
* Arboretum nature walk on June 30th (plan another for next year)
* Petition concerning “Complete Streets Act of 2019” (Steve)
* Review of open action items from previous meetings
* AOB

# Discussion

In what follows, “the team” refers to those present at the meeting from the Complete Streets Advisory Committee.

* “Complete Streets Act of 2019”
  + Candace asked that the team members consider signing the petition.
  + See the link at <http://action.smartgrowthamerica.org/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=26832>.
* DOT funding
  + The list provided by the team was reviewed by the borough administrator. The item of most immediate interest is implementation of the “Complete Streets Technical Assistance” report.
* Discuss and comment on almost final Report concerning “Complete Streets Technical Assistance”:
  + Steve asked that a note be added to the report concerning an alternative crossing of Broad St. at Cliffwood / College Ave. The team agreed that we should ask for some wording to be added to the report concerning the alternative crossing of Broad St.
  + There was some discussion of issues with trash collection and snow removal on Throckmorton if a protected bike lane is added. The thought was to just use paint at first (i.e., no protection boundary) and perhaps add some sort of protection (e.g., planters) later.
  + Tonya asked about the possible addition of bike racks at Memorial and Vetter schools. There was some discussion of possible walking/bike routes through the Howard Commons area.
  + It was noted that there is a sign at the back entrance of the arboretum (albeit the sign is not well positioned). The report stated that there is no sign. The suggestion is to say something (in the report) to the effect that better signage is desired.
  + In general, the team was happy with the report.
* Expansion of “Walk in Our Parks” brochure to include walks between parks and other walks not specifically within our parks.
  + Janice proposed to add some walks between parks to the borough brochure entitled “Walk in Our Parks”. The team members liked the idea, including the idea of an Eatontown greenway. Janice agreed to put together a draft update to the said document and send out for review.
* Candace suggested a possible Rt. 36 median (with a biking/walking path). This could be done in conjunction with other towns (i.e., West Long Branch and Long Branch). This is perhaps something for a DOT funding proposal. The team liked this idea.
* Arboretum nature walk
  + There was a short discussion on this topic.
  + The team agreed that the initial nature walk was a success thanks to the fine presentation by Bob Wolf. There were around 35 people at the walk.
  + It was agreed that we should plan another for next year. One idea was to do a similar walk at 80 acres park as there are also a lot of different trees there.
* Regulations concerning bike markings on roads (Kevin) – deferred to next meeting

# Action Items

* Open Action Items
  + Kevin is to investigate regulations concerning bike markings on roads
    - Some routes are excluded (Rt. 18 and GSP). Kevin did research this item but due to time constraints, this item was deferred to the next meeting.

# Decisions

* TBD

# Announcements

None

# Next Meeting

TBD