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Traffic and Safety Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Traffic and Safety Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at 5:30 pm at Fire Department No. 16 on Cypress Street in Salisbury. Those in attendance were:

Members:

Tom Welsh	Committee Chairman (Term Expires 7/15)
Tom Ayd	Committee Vice-Chairman (Term Expires 7/14)
Mary Buffington	Committee Member (Term Expires 7/15)
Matt Drew	Committee Member (Term Expires 7/14)
Jennifer Underwood	Committee Member (Term Expires 7/15)

Support Staff:

Bill Sterling	Department of Public Works
Ray Birch	Department of Public Works
Paul Mauser	Department of Public Works
Amanda Pollack	Department of Public Works

Items discussed included:

1. The agenda was approved with no modifications.
2. The minutes of the March 12, 2014 meeting were approved with no changes.
3. Mauser presented the plans for the Bikeways Grant Phase 2, which includes improvements to the bike lanes on Riverside Drive from College Avenue to Mill Street, and new shared lanes on South Boulevard from Camden to Riverside. The design has been resubmitted to MDOT. One round of comments have been addressed. The grant agreement and creation of the lanes will be presented to Council in June at a work session.
4. The grant includes the installation of five bike racks. The proposed locations are: Chamber of Commerce, Post Office on Main Street, east side of Government Office Building, States Attorney's Office, and the Shore Transit Stop on Circle Avenue. The location are all on public properties. Bike-SBY recently obtained a grant to install six bike racks on private properties.

5. After a review of the plans, the Committee offered the following suggestions:
 - a. At the work session, discuss creating a no parking area along the Riverside Drive dedicated bike lanes. If this is desirable, ask MDOT if the no parking signs are grant eligible.
 - b. Ask MDOT if directional arrows can be added to the Phase 1 bike lanes with this grant.
 - c. Can we use green bike lane thermoplastic symbols for the first symbol in each direction on Riverside Drive, similar to what was done on Camden Avenue?
6. Birch presented the traffic counts on Pinehurst Avenue. The predominant travel direction is westbound. At Smith Street, Pinehurst Avenue is 25 feet wide with an 8 foot wide parking lane. Between Camden Avenue and Smith Street there is parking on the south side. Between Smith Street and Lorecrop there is parking on the north side. There is two-way traffic with 8 ½ foot travel lanes. Based on observations of the Committee members that live in or travel thru this area, it appears that the parking is primarily composed of SU commuter students.
7. The Committee discussed improving safety on Pinehurst Street in the blocks where the width is narrow (from Camden to Lorecrop). The current issues of the narrow street include access by emergency vehicles and sight lines for residents pulling out of their driveways. Ayd made a motion that was seconded by Drew to recommend no on-street parking on Pinehurst Avenue from Camden Avenue to Lorecrop Drive. The Committee unanimously approved. Welsh to send a letter to the Mayor and Public Works Director with a copy to Council.
8. Legislation to create a Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee was presented to Council at the May 5th work session and will be discussed at the May 27th legislative session.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 11, 2014** at 5:30 pm.

If you have any corrections to these minutes, please notify the writer within ten (10) days.

Sincerely,
Amanda Pollack, P.E.
Deputy Director
Salisbury Public Works