Borough of Hightstown

Complete Streets Committee

4/29/2020 – Committee Meeting 6:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER

STATEMENT: Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice was provided to the *Trenton Times* and the *Windsor-Hights Herald* and is posted in the Borough Clerk's office.

Roll Call

Member	Attended	Absent
Council President Steve Misiura, Vice-Chair	•	
Joe Cicalese, Chair and Planning Board and	•	
Environmental Commission representative		
Beverly Asselstine, Secretary, Planning Board	•	
representative		
Dave Zaiser, Environmental Commission representative	•	
Brian Clissold	•	
Alex Costantino		•
Tim Troxler		•

- Approval of Agenda Approved
- Approval of Minutes 2/26/20 Approved

PUBLIC COMMENT None

NEW BUSINESS

- NJDOT Grant Application Committee reviewed potential projects based on discussion with the Borough Engineer at our November meeting. The two potential projects:
 - Prospect, Bennett, Houser: repeated water main breaks need to be addressed with new line. Area currently has no sidewalks and narrow streets with a significant amount of on-street parking. This is a secluded neighborhood near two elementary schools without through traffic.
 Discussion: Very narrow streets, little cut through traffic and a lot of on street parking. Sidewalks are probably not a high priority. This might mean the project would be smaller than other recent projects. The Committee proposed including the segment of Summit from

Prospect to Mercer where we have no sidewalks and an odd angle at Mercer, which makes it a dangerous street segment. Previous discussions have indicated that this segment presents some engineering challenges due to limited right away and steep incline on the north. The Committee also would like to explore the current state of the rights-of-way along the old railroad and the feasibility of connecting our Greenway ending at Summit to the Union Transportation Trail in East Windsor, which will end at Airport Road.

- Schyler, Orchard, Clover and Meadow: repeated water main problems on Schyler, Orchard has not been paved for a very long time. Clover and Meadow were last repaved 15 years ago. No existing sidewalks. Roads are wide. This is a secluded neighborhood near Peddie and Hightstown High School without through traffic. Discussion: Orchard receives a fair amount of cut through traffic to Etra Road and it is in very bad condition. The Committee would like to explore incorporating some additional sidewalk work along South Main to complete the sidewalk network.
- Bev will email Carmela Roberts with questions and ask her to attend the May meeting to discuss her views on these two options.

OLD BUSINESS

• Mobility Master Plan Technical Assistance Update Bev provided an update on the project. All community opportunities to gather input for the plan have been cancelled. As of 4/8/20 we had 136 responses to the surey. We are going to create a virtual visioning workshop by making a video that can be posted to the Borough Website. It will include an overview of the project, some of the data collected so far, draft vision statements that people can comment on via Google docs and a demonstration of the WikkiMap tool. We will encourage our Community Advisory Board members to continue to share information about the survey and WikkiMap with their constituents. Brian shared the view of the West Windsor Bicycle and Pedestrian Alliance that there is growing support among the public for better bike and pedestrian facilities.

DISCUSSION

- Rutgers/NJDOT Municipal Survey Joe will share information about this survey for our response.
- Steve reported that the State is going to install a blinking pedestrian sign at the library at Broad and Franklin.

ADJOURNMENT