



Complete Streets Committee – Meeting Minutes

August 23, 2016 @ 10:00 a.m. in the Town Board Conference Room

Committee Attendees:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>
Joe Emminger	Town Supervisor
John Bargnesi	Town Councilmember
Kathleen Johnson	Village of Kenmore
Peter Breitnauer	Village of Kenmore Police Chief
Katie Burd	Village of Kenmore Trustee
Jim Jones	Town Technical Support
Lt. Nicholas Bado	Town Police Department
Jim Hartz	Town Planning and Development
Tom Jones	Town Highway Department
Bill Swanson	Town Highway Department
Mike Robinson	National Federation of the Blind-NY
Chris Bushover	Handlebars Cycle Co.

Guests:

Michael Longley

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2016

Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of July 19, 2016 with corrections.

M – Joe Emminger	Voting: Ayes - All	
S – Katie Burd	Nays - None	Motion Approved

2. Public Survey Results – Draft Report

Jim Hartz provided a summary of the final public survey results. Over 800 responses were received and reports were handed out to committee members. The report will be made available through the Complete Streets website.

3. Proposed Complete Streets Policy

Motion to recommend that the draft complete streets policy be forwarded to the Planning Board for further review:

M – Jim Jones	Voting: Ayes – All	
S – Katie Burd	Nays – None	Motion Approved



4. Current and Proposed Projects –

Sheridan Drive Pedestrian Bridge – Jim Jones gave the Committee an update on the structural condition of the bridge. The age and deteriorated condition of the bridge have caused portions of the structure to rust and lose integrity. The Town had to close the bridge due to safety concerns. The Town and School District are exploring all options for safe pedestrian crossings.

Rails to Trails – Since the grand opening of the trail, the Town has received some interest in expanding pedestrian access opportunities along the trail at residential street crossings. A conceptual plan showing those opportunities was shown to the Committee. The Lincoln Park Greenway Trail will link up to the trail next Spring. Other improvements such as lighting, bicycle repair stations, bike racks, pedestrian traffic counters will all be considered.

Kenmore Avenue – Signs have been installed and the road still needs to be striped. The second HAWK signal needs to be installed and activated. The Town and Village will have to request that the GBNRTC include the remaining portions of Kenmore Avenue to Military Road on the region's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Elmwood Avenue – The County will be letting the bid for Elmwood Avenue in the Spring of 2017. Some of the conceptual plans of the project were reviewed. It's mostly a landscaping and ADA improvement project for the east side of the street. No programming changes along the existing 4-lane roadway are scheduled to occur due to funding limitations.

Parker Blvd. – Jim Hartz described a complete streets pilot project to retain an engineering firm to offer redesign options for Parker Boulevard between Sheridan Drive and Englewood Avenue. Optional features would include bike lanes, a mini-roundabout at Decatur, and ADA improvements at intersections or crossings. This would be the first local street done, so it will set the tone for the rest of the local network.

Chris Bushover from Handlebars discussed a bicycle safety and training course offering through his business. With the increase in pedestrian traffic around town, it makes sense to offer these types of courses. The Town will see if it's possible to assist them with locations.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.