

Meeting Minutes for **Wednesday, Mar 12, 2020** at 6:00pm

Roll Call: Distribute sign-in sheet and assign note-taker & timekeeper

Present: Gabriel Berlin, AJ Sumahit, Chad Wade, Liz Velez, Erika Norton Urie

Absent: Naomi Hersson-Ringsog, Cynthia Gilkeson

Guests/Advisors: City Council Member Anthony Grice, City Council Member Bob Sklarz, Lina Wu (Reporter Mid Hudson Times), John Harper

Public Comment Period (30 min)

- No public comments

Announcements (Gabe) (5 min)

- Welcome to new members & advisors
 - Two new members, Erika Norton Urie and Cynthia Gilkeson
 - Next meeting may be via conference call based on COVID-19 TBD
- ESPRI Presentation (AJ)
 - Spoke about the bike ride
 - Attendance was mostly drivers, not a lot of public transportation users
 - Parking enforcement issue, an attendee said that parking enforcement spends a lot of time at NFA.
- Govt process for keeping TAC informed and weighing opinion
 - TAC in talks with planning and other city officials to figure out how to better incorporate Complete Streets.

Topics

- **Pedestrian/Walkability** (Naomi/Jessica) (10 min)
 - **Update:** Crosswalk Taskforce (Submitted Water Street Pedestrian Safety Letter to NYS DOT, Followed up with George re Crosswalk Yield Signs)
 - Included testimonials from pedestrians, photos of the street at night in letter to NYS DOT. No response as of yet.

- **Bicycle** (Naomi) (10 min)
 - **Update: Mini Bike Plan-** Smart Growth Grant
- Naomi got approval from HGAR.
- **Report Out:** Lets Bike: Newburgh & Articles.
- Well attended. Raffle went well and bike locks were available. Good media coverage on the event.
- **Report Out:** Help promote Critical Mass for April Kick Off.
- April 24th at Blacc Vanilla. Looking for an organizer/bike enthusiast to take the lead.
- **Buses** (Gabe) (10 min)
 - **Bus sub-committee:** No updates. Next steps are another bus committee meeting before meeting with Rob. Any issues with bus service (no show, late, etc), please contact the county line. If that is not possible, make note of the date and time so there is at least data available to report. Data is necessary in order to take concrete steps to improve bus service.
- **Car & Parking** (10 min)
 - **Update:** Handicapped Parking- Stats and city code (John)
- Spoke with city clerk and obtained list of locations designated for private citizens to see which spots are still there and fees towards those private spots. There are two citizens who pay the fee and have the spots indicated. These spots are reserved for the individual at said address. Is there a grid or list of municipal handicapped spots - city clerk said she does not have that information. There is information available in City of Newburgh ECode, but it's not updated every year. Unsure of the pricing. John will check the handicapped spaces listed and Chad will be able to create a map with that information.
 - **New:** Roundabout study for Lake Street and Washington Terrace? (Jessica)

- Update pending.
- **New:** Washington Street Parking
 - Passed and signs are up.
- **New:** Speed Enforcement Data & Parking Ticket Data
 - Ongoing, getting information from PD.
- **Ferry** (Naomi) (5 min)
 - **New:** Pilot Ferry program and collaboration with Newburgh Illuminated.
 - Skoufis' office seems interested in making it happen.
 - Need volunteers during the pilots to take quick surveys and gather information.
- **General** (Gabe, Ali/Chad) (10 min)
 - Status on Public Request
 - Request from a citizen for a stop sign due to speeding concerns. TAC will form a one sheet to address that this is not the strategy compliant with MUTCD as this is a popular citizen request so that public can be more informed on this point.
 - Site visit at Fowler.
 - Request for a light or stop at intersection of Thompson-Dupont.
 - Status of TAC recommendations

Addendum: Liberty St & Anne St, Gidney St outside of Gidney School, South Street & Chambers, Water St and Washington.

“ I checked with the County Clerk about your question below on municipal sponsored handicapped parking and she said that she is not aware of a list of where and how many there are. She said that perhaps we can request information from code enforcement. John”

Tabled or Archived

- *Bike & Scooter Legislation*
- *Bus Incident report form*
- *Newburgh-Beacon shuttle public awareness*
- *Bicycle racks request submitted to Ali for HV House Parts*
- **PEDESTRIAN**
 - *Outstanding- Report from Codes re Sidewalks (A guide to posted on City/TAC website)*
 - *Outstanding- Creative Crosswalk Report (A guide to posted on City/TAC website)*
 - *Complete Street Checklist presentation*
 - *LED Lights & April Street Taskforce*
 - *HUD CBDG 2021 with Damian DePauw as representative*

Next Meeting: Wed. April 8 2020, 6pm @ The Heritage Center on 123 Grand Street
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