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## Bike, Pedestrian, Traffic and Safety Committee

Wednesday February 8, 2023 @ 9:00 AM

Orleans Police Station Training and Meeting Room

### Minutes

1. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Chair, Alice Van Oot. Scott MacDonald, Geof Deering, Mefford Runyon, Tom Daley, Doug Prentiss, George Meservey, Stephanie Gaskill, and Lindsey Goodman present. John Altieri, Peter Allgeier, and Kazmira Nedeau not present.
2. Public comment – Two residents from Old Colony Way present for agenda #5.
3. Communications – Alice shared an inquiry from Linda McCann regarding a potential sidewalk on Beach Road. She is concerned for the safety of the pedestrians she has seen. The email was forwarded to Alice by the Select Board. Further discussion on this topic can was moved to agenda #9.
4. Approve Minutes of January 11, 2023 - motion to approve by Doug, seconded by Stephanie. Unanimously approved.
5. Update of DPW roadway projects (Tom):
  - Old Colony Design – Reviewed concept that included crosswalks, sidewalks, parking spots, and grass. Discussion about reconsidering putting a sidewalk on the south side instead of grass. Mefford and Alice suggested that it might make sense to have a bike lane seeing that this is a major road and provides access to businesses on Old Colony. Tom advised that the residents in the public meeting were okay with no bike lane. Lindsay and Mefford asked about a multi-use lane. The two Old Colony residents present were not in favor of a multi-use lane and stated their concerns about the speed of bikers who ride on the sidewalk. Discussion about concerns about parking and employees from the surrounding businesses parking in street spots.
  - Rail Trail connection – Paved. Issues with requisition, was sent back for review. Guard rail not up yet.
  - Eldredge Park Way flashing light – Everything in except the brackets.
  - Old Colony Flashing beacon – Price came in over budget. Tom is going to put in a request for Chap. 90 funds for the difference. Waiting for a signature from Cathy Doane.
  - Other – None.
6. Discussion of paving project schedule (Tom) – Tom gave out a list of roads that were patched or chip sealed this fall in anticipation of being resurfaced next spring and a list of roads to be patched or chip sealed and resurfaced during FY24. Alice spoke of the need to be sure we take advantage of the paving projects to provide greater shoulders for safety of walkers and bikers where we can. Tom agreed that this is always a priority. She also wondered if we should

look at the lists from the standpoint of which roads are laid out and which are not. Will review list at next meeting.

7. Speed table and speed hump standards and guidelines (Doug) - Vote to adopt guidelines. Motion made by George, seconded by Stephanie. Unanimous. These will go to the Select Board.
8. An Act to Reduce Traffic Fatalities: Update on strategies to educate the community – Peter had taken a lead on this and was not present. Table discussion for next meeting.
9. Select Board meeting February 8<sup>th</sup>: Messaging – New Charge/New Name; Complete Streets; Project Coordination; Village to Nauset safe route discussion – Alice spoke with Andrea and Andrea doesn't see an issue with the New Charge/New Name. Alice has a list of discussion topics that the committee has focused on since combining which she will bring to the Select Board meeting, including the Village to Nauset subcommittee work that will also generally respond to the concern of Linda McCann. She shared these topics and asked for comment. She will also remind the Select Board of the Complete Streets Policy and ask that they include a related goal when they establish Select Board goals in the summer.
10. Other business – None.
11. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn made by Chief MacDonald, seconded by Doug. Unanimous at 10:27 a.m.