

Borough of Hightstown
Complete Streets Committee

09/25/2024 – Committee Meeting

Minutes

6:30 pm

Hightstown Library:

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
Steve Misiura, Chair	X	
Henry Wang, Vice Chair	X	
Beverly Asselstine, Secretary, Planning Board representative	X	
Council Member Joe Cicalese	X	
Dave Zaiser, Environmental Commission representative		X
Alex Costantino		X

- Approval of Agenda **Approved**
- Approval of Minutes August 2024 **Approved**

PUBLIC COMMENT **None**

OLD BUSINESS

- Vision Zero **No update. September Steering Committee meeting postponed until October.**
- Master Plan Reexamination. **Public Hearing held September 9. Hearing carried to November Planning Board meeting, where action will be taken. Council presentation scheduled for October 21.**

NEW BUSINESS

- Bicycle Signage **Bev shared feedback from the West Windsor Bicycle & Pedestrian Alliance about their long-distance Bike Fest ride through Hightstown. About 50 riders got lost in Hightstown due to the confusing Bike Route signs directing down Broad Street. The organizers had marked the route on the pavement (from Cranbury south down North Main to Monmouth and then south on Maxwell to Ward and then to Etra Road out to Etra Lake Park). The lead rider was confused and turned the group down Broad, where they had to navigate a left turn without support of a traffic**

light and travel down Franklin without a bike lane or any shared road markings or signage. The Committee discussed and determined that in our annual report to Council we should recommend that the signs be removed and we should provide an analysis of the current state of the proposed network in the Mobility Plan, including how to promote safe routes within the Borough.

- Discussion: Recommendations to Council/Annual Report The Committee discussed the content and detail that should be included. The following items were identified:
 - Our activities for the year (accomplishments, projects we did)
 - Our recommendations for:
 - Capital Budget consideration (e.g., additional speed signs)
 - Ordinances/code changes (e.g., speeding ticket required mandatory court appearance)
 - Operating budget considerations

At the next meeting we will review the project list we created several years ago, previous recommendations for crosswalk painting and signage replacements. We will target to present to Council in January.

BOROUGH COUNCIL UPDATE Joe reported that a resident had complained about a faded sign at Maxwell and Ward, which resulted in a work order to Public Works to replace with a new sign. He also reported that Council is revisiting proposals for issuing a Cannabis retail license in the Borough.

PLANNING BOARD UPDATE Bev reported that the Planning Board has a few potential applications, but otherwise it has been a very slow year for new applications in the Borough.

ADJOURNMENT

2024 Meeting Schedule:

September 25, 2024	October 23, 2024	November 20, 2024	December 18, 2023