

**Binghamton Metropolitan Transportation Study
Pedestrian & Bicycle Advisory Committee
Zoom Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2022**

In attendance:

Scott Reigle, Stephanie Yezzi, Stephanie Brewer, Nick Cecconi, Susan Pitely

Convene: 1:35 PM

May 16 minutes accepted as is.

Topic	Discussion/Follow Up	Action
<p>Roadway Needs Report:</p> <p>Follow Up to Previous Meeting Items:</p>	<p>Follow-up Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Confluence Park Interpretive Signs – Accessibility: Scott met with Shane Hurd (City Assistant Director of Parks) and Mike Haas (Delta Engineers) at Confluence Park. Mike is asking the company that installed the counters to put a ground level concrete pad on which to re-install the interpretive sign near the fishing pier, and to remove the curb and add a ground level concrete pad to access and view the sign. <p>New Needs Reports.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ADA Curb Ramp: Chadwick Rd. & Aldrich Ave.: Full corner curbs were installed at the southeast & southwest corners of the intersection replacing curb ramps. The City of Binghamton originally did this since the sidewalks do not connect to other sidewalks. This situation was discussed at the City’s Traffic Board on June 6. Ron Lake, City Engineer, said he would take care of it. ● The concrete pad where the pedestrian signal post is at the northwest corner of State St. & Hawley St. is elevated, creating a tripping hazard. Can it be grinded down to be flush with the adjacent sidewalk? 	<p>Action Items:</p> <p>Scott will follow-up with the City on this issue.</p>
<p>Announcements and Status Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Newspaper Articles/Notices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No new notices 	<p>Action Items:</p>
<p>Education and Outreach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Complete Streets Workshop focusing Johnson City: Scott reported that due to a scheduling conflict that trainer Dan Suraci was made aware of, the Workshop was rescheduled from June 22 to July 14 (11:30am-1:00pm). The Workshop is a free, Zoom-based training. Invitations will be sent out later this week. This Committee will be invited to attend. ● Binghamton Bridge Pedal Saturday, August 13th 9am-12pm All permits have been secured & approved. Once the registration website is up and running, promoting the event will begin. We’ll request the Committee to help spread the word once Bridge Pedal information is emailed to them. A Bridge Pedal Subcommittee meeting will be held on June 16. 	<p>Action Items:</p>

<p>Project/Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pedestrian and Bicycle Counters May Report. Counters continue to reflect some seasonal increases. Counters are mixed as far as increased and decreased counts as compared to 2021. The Chugnut Trail, MLK Jr. Promenade counters have been re-installed. Still need to re-install the Vestal Rail Trail West Extension counter. The S. Washington St. Bridge counter is now producing incorrectly high counts. On-site maintenance with Eco-Counter has been scheduled for June 28-29. ● Broome County E-bike/E-Scooter Share Broome County is interested in providing a bike share, and possibly, a e-scooter share service. BMTS met with Deputy County Executive, Michael Ponticiello; BC Transit Commissioner, Greg Kilmer; and Broome County Planning Dept. Commissioner, Beth Lucas on May 24. Greg K. will be drafting a RFPs for a Broome County bike and e-bike share program. A meeting with BU officials is being planned to learn about their campus bike share program and to investigate cooperation opportunities. Stephanie B. noted that secure parking is important for e-bikes, which are expensive, to be used for commuting and general transportation. ● Bike Safety Streets/Bike Boulevards – Johnson City Recommendations Scott displayed Google Map’s designation of bike safe streets in JC. They compared very similarly to the proposed bike safe streets. No word yet from STBC about rating proposed bike safe streets. The Committee also discussed the JC roundabout and bike connectivity. 	<p>Action Items:</p> <p>Scott to follow up with Mark Goodwin to see if STBC member have rated any proposed bike safe streets.</p>
<p>Agency/Dept. Updates</p>	<p>NYSDOT Region 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Route 434 Greenway: Scott shared information NYSDOT Region 9 provided for a Southside Neighborhood assessment meeting (see below), and then reviewed the design details of key access points to the trail. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We are in the second season of phase 2 of the Greenway Project. This phase connects Phase 1 at Pennsylvania Avenue, constructed a few years ago, to Murray Hill Road in Vestal. ○ Last season the contractor completed the H pile lagging walls which will allow us to build the multi-use pathway in areas where we don’t have a lot of room. ○ Binghamton Precast has been casting precast concrete decorative wall panels that will be placed later this summer, in front of the H pile and wooden lagging walls. ○ Much of the underground work, including storm sewer, water and sanitary is being completed now. ○ Sometime after Memorial Day, the contractor hopes to reconstruct Vestal Avenue at state route 434 and start paving portions of the multi-use path down near MacArthur Park. ○ While we are not quite 50% complete, the contract is on track to be completed next summer, 2023. ● US 11/Front St. Bridge over I-81: Susan reported that Exit 5 is currently closed. The roundabout at the I-81 North ramp will open soon. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chenango St. Underpass: Work on the arch has begun again. It is still open for pedestrians and bicyclists.	
Other		

Adjourn: 2:30 PM

Next Meeting:

Monday, July 11, 2022 1:30PM