

TOWN OF STOW
COMPLETE STREETS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the November 8, 2018 Complete Streets Committee Meeting

Members Present: Karen Kelleher, Bill Bosworth, Mike Clayton, Joe Landry, Margie Lynch, Jim Salvie, Kathy Sferra

Vote and Acceptance of Response to Request for Quotes for Great Road Intersection Improvements

The Committee opened proposals from Merrill, Inc. and The Engineering Corp. and read through the scope of work provided by each firm. The Committee agreed to reconvene in November to provide time for a more detailed review of the proposals.

Temporary Improvements in Gleasondale Village

Valerie Oorthuys said that residents of Gleasondale Village have requested temporary speed bumps to be installed on Marlboro Road to decrease speed of traffic and discourage truck traffic. The Committee discussed the need for comparative public safety thresholds to be set prior to piloting this type of intervention, such as the need to slow down prior to a dangerous intersection or crosswalk. Installation should also be tied to data on traffic accidents. The Committee felt that speed bumps are not an appropriate treatment, and noted that they were not recommended by engineers as part of the Prioritization Plan.

The Committee agreed to revisit this request at a future meeting once available data is gathered. Mike Clayton noted that the temporary speed sign is currently located on Marlboro Road.

Bicycle Signage

Margie Lynch and Jim Salvie said that they have drafted a list of roads that they would prioritize for bicycle signage and striping. The Committee agreed that projects on the Prioritization Plan that are focused on signage will likely not be competitive enough to be funded by the State's Complete Streets program, and therefore would need to be funded by the Town. Jim Salvie said that their goal is to narrow their list to ten places to have either signs or sharrows and then to coordinate that with the Highway Department. As not all of these locations are on the Prioritization Plan, the list will be reworked and shared with the Committee at a future meeting.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valerie Oorthuys