

KENT STREETScape COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, 17 September 2019 @ 5:00pm

A meeting was held on 17 September 2019 @ 5:00pm at Town Hall. Those **Present** on the Committee were: John Johnson, Mike Gawel, Jack Nelson, Elyse Sadtler and Wes Wyrick. **Guests** included: John Casey, Rick Osborne, Elissa Potts, Bruce Bennett, Alice Hicks, Don Cramer, Tim Goode and Bruce Adams. Having a quorum, the meeting was called to order @ 5:05 by John. The following actions were taken:

- A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Alyse to approve Meeting Minutes of 27 August 2019. After discussion, the Minutes were approved 5 to 0.
- A motion was made by Alyse to amend Meeting Minutes of 9 September, as follows: Section 4 motion was voted 3 in favor and 2 not in favor (motion still approved). This motion was seconded by Jack and approved 5 to 0.
- John reported that the application for a Federal grant (TAP Fund) is pending COG review for the Route 7 South and the 341 east Corridors. Rick would also include the Lane Street Corridor in the request for TAP funding barring objection from the Committee. The Committee had no objection to include all three Corridors in the request. Preliminary indication of the grant availability maybe made by September 26.
- Guests: Tim Goode, Don Cramer, John Casey and Bruce Bennett, all indicated their preference for the consistent use of concrete, saying that it was the current norm for new sidewalk construction in the region.
- Concerning extension of new sidewalk development north of the Fife and Drum, Alissa Potts stated that she would be satisfied if sidewalks were brought across the tracks, for visual continuity, but could stop at the small parking area just south of the Fife thus connecting with existing walks. A motion was made by Jack, seconded by Mike to amend a previously approved motion to end new sidewalks at that point south of the Fife and to propose a new cross walk at that termination. After discussion, the motion was approved 4 to 1 (John not in favor).
- Bruce Adams indicated that the process to add new streetlamps, per a request from Bruce Bennett, would start with a conversation with Eversource. The Committee will follow up with an inquiry.
- A motion was made by Mike and seconded by Elyse to amend previous a motion regarding Section 1 to extend new sidewalk development on the west side of South Main to include the existing sidewalk area south of RT Facts. After discussion, the motion was carried 5 TO 0.

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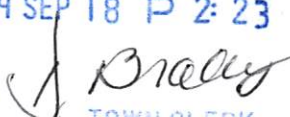
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- A motion was made by Jack, seconded by Mike to use combinations of cobblestone and curbing as depicted on "Concrete" Sections prepared by Wes for the North Main streets Sections 2 and 3. After discussion the motion was approved 4 to 0 (John abstaining).
- Concerning the presentation to the BOS, a motion was made by Jack and seconded by John to recommend that concrete be used for ALL new sidewalk development AND that an alternative bid deduct for the use of asphalt be included for sidewalks south of the monument on Route 7 AND east and west on Route 341 (Sections 1,4 and 5) in the bidding process for Town approval. The motion was approved 4 to 1 (John not in favor).
- The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 30 September at 5:00 at Town Hall.
- Mike made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Wes at 7:30pm, carried 5 to 0.

Respectfully submitted in draft by Wes, Secretary, this 18th day of September 2019

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