

**Subject:** Fwd: Notes of RTC 26 April 2018 meeting

Attendees

James Craig  
Kevin Kennedy  
Deborah Howe  
Ken Bassett  
Chris Bibbo  
John Vancor

Guests, Cycling Committee

Megan Nelson  
Ashley du Toit  
Bob Wolfe

Guests, Lincoln Library Trustees

Peter Sukan,  
Jacqueline Apsler

Minutes of the February and March RTC meetings were approved.

Lincoln Cycling Safety Advisory Committee

- Members of the Cycling Safety Advisory Committee reviewed the issues related to cycling safety and specifically a proposal to post signs indicating cyclists "may use full lane". The signs would be located at up to 11 key entry points into the town road system and would conform in design to State standards.
- It was noted that such right to use full lane already exists and that the narrowness of Lincoln's roads dictates in many locations that cyclists utilize a large portion of the travel lane for their own safety. It was acknowledged that while it is not unusual for cyclists to ride two abreast, it was also recognized by the cycling community that single file is a courtesy observed by many cyclists.
- Chief Kennedy has discussed the proposal with other communities in the region and did not receive adverse feedback. It was noted that the cycling community supports more activity by public safety to warn cyclists who do not adhere to normal rules of the road.
- The Committee voted to recommend to the Selects the installation of signs as proposed. A detail related to mounting hardware was also recommended, with the posts used for Historic District signs being the prototype.

Library Master Plan

- Representatives from the Library Trustees briefly reviewed their master plan for development of the Library grounds, including the potential for increased parking by adding spaces on the north side of Trapelo Road. Detailed plans have not been prepared

at this point and thus the intent of the discussion was to receive input at this early stage of planning.

- Safety concerns included the potential conflict with vehicles slowing as they approach the stop sign. Such conflict might be mitigated by allocating larger dimensions for the parallel parking spaces. Aesthetics was discussed, realizing that the landscape on the south side of the building is part of the approach to the historic center and flower pot. Discussions with the Historic District Committee would be an important part of the process.
- The RTC indicated that from a traffic perspective the proposal would require study and that it was too early to take a position on the matter. The Committee asked the Library representatives to keep us informed,

### Spring Projects

- Chris reported on progress related to the sidewalk installation in front of the "cheese shop". Work on curbing is anticipated to start next week.
- Bids have been received for work on the 117/Lincoln Road intersection and two sections of the roadside path system. Costs have been an issue given the bidding climate which finds many contractors quite busy. Chris is negotiating with the successful bidder to reduce costs if possible.
- As previously planned, paving work on Morningside Lane, Sunnyside Lane, and Boyce Farm Road will be proceeding.

### Briefing on recent Traffic Survey at the Trapelo Road and Old County Road intersection

- Chris briefed the Committee on the recently completed survey of traffic conditions related to Old County Road. No further action by the Committee is anticipated.