

## Complete Streets Committee Minutes

Date: 6pm, 11/20/19

Location: Community Room, Auburn City Hall

Committee Members Present: Craig Saddlemire, Chair (Lewiston), Jeremiah Bartlett, Vice Chair (Auburn), David Das, Secretary (Auburn), Jim Lysen (Lewiston), Larry Pelletier (Auburn), Bob Rand (Lewiston), Dana Staples (Auburn), Katherine Boss (Public Health Representative)

Staff Present: Kris Bennett, Colton Bernier

Guests: Joe Gray

### 1) Updates

- Jim Lysen: caution about visibility of pedestrians, even at flashing beacon crosswalks.
- Bob Rand: bike lanes on Lincoln St. need to be striped.

2) Colton Bernier: update on the East Ave. mill and fill project from Homefield to Fairlawn. Project includes 11' travel lanes; slight widening of sidewalks; ADA upgrades at intersections. Committee expressed concern to need for the second travel lane heading out of town (between Sabattus and Russell); the lack of bike lane connectivity. When we upgrade streets through an incremental process, this can make complete streets upgrades more challenging because they may appear disconnected from the older sections of street. East Ave has important bicycle and pedestrian upgrades planned for it, and improvements should take into consideration these upgrades rather than assume the old design will persist and preserve it. Suggestion of a 2-way left turn lane; installation of crosswalks given proximity to Farwell School. Craig Saddlemire referenced the Best Practices Manual as a starting point for design review. Colton will bring this information back to the consultants.

3) Brief overview of future Lewiston Capital Improvement sidewalk projects (FY21 – FY25). Please review and bring questions or ideas to staff.

4) Court Street Study – extension until April. Public Hearing to be scheduled.

5) Kris Bennett: Poland Road mill and fill project between Minot and Hotel. Early stages of design. Questions regarding its Complete Streets typology. Committee suggested fog lines and bike lanes.

6) Sabattus Street crash data discussion. Looked at the data for vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists. How to measure street safety above and beyond crash data? Is it worth asking for more data about the top 2/3 crash locations?

7) Next meeting: 12/18/19 (due to Christmas holiday on 12/25)

4) Acceptance of Minutes of 11/20 meeting: Motion by Larry Pelletier/Second by Jim Lysen-- unanimous.

5) Motion to adjourn -- 7:30 Dana Staples/Second by Jeremiah Bartlett -- unanimous.