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**PEDESTRIAN & BICYCLIST ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL &
REMOTE VIA VIRTUAL PLATFORM LebanonNH.gov/LIVE
7:00 PM, MARCH 5, 2026**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Colin Smith (Chair); Sean Dittrich (Vice Chair); Marie *McCormick*;
Alan Schnur (Alt); Ben Swanson (Alt); Tim Gilbert

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trenton Meckenstock; Kellen Appleton (Planning Board); Jared Toon
(Alt); George Sykes (City Council, Alt)

STAFF PRESENT: Catheryn Hembree (Associate Planner)

1) CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Alan Schnur and Ben Swanson sat as voting members.

2) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 10, 2026

*A MOTION was made by Mr. Dittrich to approve the meeting minutes of February 10, 2026, as amended.
Seconded by Ms. McCormick.*

**The vote on the MOTION was approved (6-0).*

AMENDMENTS:

*To note that Kellen Appleton was present. To note that Ben Swanson was absent. To note that Alan
Schnur sat as a voting member.*

*Page 3, Line 5: to include “A MOTION was made by Mr. Schnur to voice appreciation for Mr. Heistad in his
years of service to the Committee and City. Seconded by Mr. Gilbert.*

**The vote on the MOTION was approved (7-0).”*

3) OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

None at this time.

4) STUDY ITEMS

- A. Capital Improvement Projects discussion with the Department of Public Works**
- B. Difficult Intersections discussion with the Department of Public Works**

*These items were not discussed at this time, as staff was not present from the Department of Public
Works.*

5) OTHER BUSINESS

A. Updates from Other Boards

- Planning and Development

Chair Smith noted that Rebecca Owens is putting together a grant application for the City to obtain
funding for the second phase of the West Lebanon Main Street Revitalization, which would be a

roundabout at the Main Street/Bridge Street intersection. The request is for the Committee to voice support for the grant application.

Ms. McCormick asked about the purpose of replacing the existing light with a roundabout. Ms. Hembree stated that she believes one of the intentions is to prevent traffic backup across the bridge at certain times of day.

Mr. Dittrich stated that he does not remember the Committee discussing this previously. Chair Smith stated that he believes it was discussed by the West Lebanon Revitalization Committee, but not the Ped Bike Committee specifically.

Mr. Schnur noted that a bicycle path along Route 10 between Hanover to West Lebanon may be affected by this proposal. Any roundabout would need to take the bicycle traffic into account through its routing. Chair Smith stated that the path location is still being discussed.

Mr. Swanson stated that this would not be what he would consider the most highly prioritized project to be undertaken at this time.

There was discussion regarding whether or not the proposed roundabout would help with ped/bike traffic and safety. There was a request for more information from the City Engineer prior to submitting a letter of support from the Committee.

- Planning Board

Nothing to report at this time.

- City Council

Nothing to report at this time.

- Police Reports

Mr. Schnur stated that there were zero crashes report in January involving pedestrians or bicyclists. He is still waiting for a summary of the 2025 crash data from the Police Department.

- Mascoma River Greenway Coalition

Nothing to report at this time.

- Class VI Roads

Nothing to report at this time.

- Communications Plan

Ms. McCormick stated that there is a general plan to hold a breakfast on May 6th to coincide with Bike, Walk, & Roll to School Day. There will also be a table at the Farmers Market for additional information and education.

6) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Parks and Rec: Ways to Go, Speed Limits on Mascoma River Greenway Discussion in April**
- B. Review of E-Bike Article in April**

It was noted that these items would be addressed in April.

7) ADJOURNMENT:

***A MOTION was made by Mr. Dittrich to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. McCormick.
*The vote on the MOTION was approved (6-0).***

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristan Patenaude, Recording Secretary