Agenda

Harwich/Chatham Bikeways Committees

Agenda Thursday February 8,2018

5:00 p.m., Room # 5, Harwich Community Center

100 Oak St. Harwich, MA 02645

Second Joint Meeting of Harwich and Chatham Bikeways Committees

Call to Order:

Attendance:

Old Business:

MAPS:

Combined map Harwich on one side Chatham on the other Combined map one town one side CCRT on the other Shanna “I think we need to put a lot of work into the design of the map. I think it would be ideal to have the same map as a printed hard copy brochure and in both town’s map kiosks. It would be great to have “you are here” stars in each map kiosk from the rotary to Crowell Road.”

Steve was going to look at a way to merge both Harwich and Chatham maps for next meeting

NAMES / NAMING / SIGNAGE / BRANDING:

The Town of Harwich has a “Facilities Naming Policy” is place and Chatham is about to adopt one very similar to Harwich’s. Both state that any facility that is named will not be renamed for at least 25 years. Given that information discussing the naming of the trail, it seems re-naming the OCRT is off the table for now.

However

Shanna Let us take advantage of the opportunity the existing map kiosks in both towns pose and consider adding signs to the top of them, very simply saying “Old Colony Rail Trail” with arrows pointing in each direction. It would be an easy start to differentiating the OCRT from the CCRT.

MILE MARKERS:

Since the last meeting Shanna walked the trail in both directions and the mileage markers run from (in Chatham) from Crowell Road to the town line and (in Harwich) in both directions. So, renumbering the Trail would require new numbers the length of Chatham portion and “erasing” the markers running from town line to rotary in Harwich.

New Business

Bike Shop Owners – recognizing that the owners and employees of the bike shops are significant influencers of path users (bike renters/purchasers see them as the experts when it comes to biking on the Cape) it is really important that we get as many of them on board as possible in our efforts to distinguish the OCRT from the CCRT. Maybe the owners of Wheelhouse and Chathamhood Cycle can advise us on how best to do this? Harwich Bikeways has a relationship with the owner of Dennis Cycle. Maybe we should have a brainstorming session with shop owners? Something to consider…

Adjournment:

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