



## **MINUTES**

**March 10, 2025**

- I. In order to promote interactions between cyclists riding between the Putnam Bridge and House St. trails and businesses along that route, Allen will meet this week with the CT River Valley Chamber of Commerce.
- II. Chris reported on the bill “concerning electric scooters, electric bicycles and motor-driven cycles” now being considered by committees in the General Assembly. The goals are standardized terminology and updates to regulations regarding these vehicles. Again members of this group voiced concern about unsafe behavior by some users of these vehicles.
- III. Allen noted that the DOT will begin work soon on the Route 2 overpass on House St., which is next to the trail driveway, already a challenging place to navigate.
- IV. The repair station and pump are now in place in the Naubuc Ave. lot across from the Putnam Bridge trail. Allen will obtain a label to denote BWG donated these items.
- V. The Town has begun work on a grant to fund construction of a sidewalk along Hebron Ave. from the current trail end at Harvest Lane to Bell St. in conjunction with rehabilitating the trail from Harvest Lane to Manchester Rd. The construction of the sidewalk on Main St. between the Cider Mill and Chestnut Hill Rd. Is expected to start this spring.

- VI. NEMBA will blaze the new mountain bike trails in the Smith School path area and remove the temporary flags. The kiosk being built by Scout Matthew Norman (supported by BWG) is almost completed.
- VII. Youth & Family Services will hold a bike maintenance workshop at Welles Village Wed., April 16, from 12:00-1:30. They will distribute tool kits funded by a grant. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Jason Stankowski at YFS.
- VIII. Glastonbury High School phys ed teachers attended an inservice preparatory to the on-bike program which will be offered to students April 24-May 8. The goal is to expand this program next year to additional high school students as well as Smith Middle School.
- IX. A subgroup of the Bicycle Advisory Group continues its work on updating maps of suggested bike routes of various lengths and difficulties
- X. BWG will again participate in the Earth Fair Sat., April 26.
- XI. The board members present approved spending \$425 for 500 of the updated brochures (thanks to Rich and John) and \$210 rent for our P. O. Box.