

SOMERVILLE BICYCLE COMMITTEE

PUBLIC MEMBERS

Police Jim Hodgdon
Traffic & Parking Todd Blake
OHCD Tuck O'Brien
Mayor's Office Heather Rowe
Alderman Sean O'Donovan
Dept. Public Works David Dow

MEETING MINUTES Meeting held March 24, 2003

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AGENDA Election of Officers, City Report, Community Path RFP, Subcommittee, Announcements

ATTENDEES Turil Cronburg Jim Gallagher Alan Moore Asher Miller Ron Newman
Greg Palmer Bhupesh Patel Osman Parvez -Guest Forest Lee - Guest

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chairperson Turil Cronburg
Vice Chair Jim
Gallagher
Jenifer Kaminsky
Alan Moore
Asher Miller
Ron Newman
Greg Palmer
Secretary Bhupesh Patel
Domenic Siraco

1. **Minutes approved** – for February 24th meeting. Next meeting is April 28th @ City Hall 6:30pm on the 3rd floor.
2. **Davis Square Task Force** – Tuck will present to the task force and Greg, Bhupesh and Joel will attend
 - Greg will check to ensure there is enough room to preserve the vegetation behind the Municipal lot.
3. **City Report** -
 - We will submit a letter of support for the Somerville Avenue street project for Mass. Highway.
 - Request for proposals for the Community Path will commence next week. Ron and Bhupesh are on the committee
4. **Bike Light Promotion** – Joel, Todd, Turil, Greg, Ron, Tuck, Bhupesh,
 - Turil would like to give the Police dept. 50 bike lights for distribution.
 - Promotion could be done during bike week
 - Volunteers to assist should contact Turil
5. **Subcommittees** - reports and recruitments
 - Routes – Bike map and Safe routes to schools – Jenifer, Bhupesh, Asher
 - i. New members will review the draft of Somerville Bike Routes plan.
 - ii. Priority comments will be completed to accompany the Draft of the Safe routes to School plan.
 - Legislation – Jim, Jim H., Tuck
 - Parking – Tuck, Bhupesh
 - Events – Ron, Domenic, Turil
 - i. Will include Announcements, Press Release, Posters, and Interface with other groups.
 - ii. Historical Tour, Tour de Somerville and Bike week are priority projects
 - Infrastructure – Jim, Allan, Ron, Asher, Greg
 - i. Will create roster of street projects with timeline.
 - ii. Will establish contact with DPW engineer.
 - iii. Will promote the Pothole Postcard.
 - PR Outreach – Greg, Asher
 - i. Will establish "web blog" for round robin comments and questions.
 - ii. There will be an established link to the city of Somerville website
6. **Announcements** –
 - Bhupesh handed out the resolution of the "u" racks configuration at "Target" storefront. Please send comments.
 - Assembly Square Transportation Plan is up on the city website. All members should review for future meetings and comments
 - Traffic and Parking are heavily understaffed since the director and a staff member are presently absent. OHCD will assist in fielding issues for the projects, meanwhile.
 - The city has been picked as a finalist for the Robert Wood Johnson Grant that will promote walking and Bicycling in the city. Bhupesh is involved and will keep us updated since a part-time Pedestrian/ Bike coordinator could be hired for the city from the grant money.
 - Andy Rubel will resign from the Bicycle committee and we would like to thank him for his many months of hard work and invaluable participation.
7. **Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm**