

11/14 meeting opened 7:05 pm

town report on hold until next meeting

present: joanna, jon, stephen, carol hills, deb harrison, beppy martin also there, plus one visitor mark mcclaine, lives in oakdale, interested in biked/ped, is a sidewalk engineer, works for DCR

JON:

jon in front of mitigation committee on wed nite about the raised bed gardening project:

we are asking for \$11,655 to cover 5 raised beds, one time cost, 4'x8' with cold frames to extend the length of the program

also covers tools, instructor, seeds, soil amendments, cost based on full 5 mnth window, some one time costs, some recurring

so \$ asked for covers entire program. green city is the organization to do this with the town

23-24 people is the breakeven # of participants but the funds will cover it even if not enough people sign up, also funding to give scholarship type support for those who cannot pay

proposed as square foot gardening, ie buy 4 square feet, someone could buy 8 square feet, each square foot would have a cost will be about \$105 per participant, perhaps \$20-\$25/square foot

a parks and rec program:

goal is to offer it at a reasonable cost

this program will go longer than a typical park/rec program

this also covers 3 of the goals of the open space program to help create comm gardens, to promote sustainable lifestyles, perhaps a good first step toward a true CSA

endicott is supportive, as well as open space committee, stephen to talk to DLT about it

CAROL:

updates: the bridge st bridge: even in 11th hour, paul mcmurty said people have talked with him (hope mcdermott in touch for a long time), mark is going to be at a meeting with paul, hope, to augment the new construction to make it bike/ped friendly

mark's thoughts as a civil engineer: looked at it and is not sure but is wondering bc of the curvature of the rd the town there could only be 1, on north side? on nobles

side? did email someone at mass highway, lou rivito (sp?) a good contact? this issue did come up in public comment 4+ yrs ago and a number of people talked about it and at the public comment the state said bc there was no sidewalk there before there could not no new one,

there is a disconnect on how state vs town projects are decided
mark also looked at the 109 construction bridge over 128-are curbs/sidewalks possible? he is not sure what the shoulder is for--breakdown?

at the westwood bike/ped mtg carol and ginny went to, westwood expressed interest in connecting dedham and westwood and a sidewalk on the bridge would work-need to continue the conversation

lastly-in master plan implementation-a joint westwood/dedham project at dedham corp ctr, a med sci devel. a bunch of people go there each day to work and to get the train. good time to get bike lane to the dedham corp ctr? get some mitigation funds to help with the sidewalk? an opportunity to make DCC a more accessible place ? it is there so let's make it accessible and better.

issue where east st goes under RR? how about wrapping it around to where it is on east st and connect to allied drive?