



**City of Concord  
Transportation Advisory Committee  
Bicycling Committee**

**Meeting Minutes**

Monday September 3, 2012 - 6:00  
Central NH Regional Planning Commission

**Call to Order/Introductions**

Committee Members Present:

Craig Tufts (chair)  
Dick Lemieux  
Robert Baker  
Kevin Twombly

Committee Members Not Present:

Tim Farmer  
Andy Baldwin  
Greg Bakos  
Jeff Warner (City staff representative)

Guests/Friends of the Bicycle Committee: None

**TPAC Bicycle Committee - Review / Accept Minutes**

Minutes from the August meeting were discussed and accepted by the committee.

**Meeting Schedule**

The next meeting will be held at the usual time and place for November (November 5, 6:00pm CNHRPC conference room). There will be no October Meeting. We will keep in touch via email if there are any developments regarding Main St. before our next scheduled meeting.

**Discussion and Action Items**

**Bike Routes In and Around Concord**

We looked at the routes again and determined we needed a cue sheet and a description to move forward. We should also ask Jeff how these routes could be posted on the city's website. Kevin Twombly offered to write up a cue sheet and ride description for the routes.

**Main Street Updates**

The committee had a lengthy discussion on the Main Street Project. The group discussed the committee the Mayor appointed. It also further discussed what its role should be in the process. It was decided that it would be good to develop a list of bullet points or general recommendations similar in nature to what the Pedestrian Committee has come up with, and send them for full TPAC for consideration. Some sample points the group came up with are:

- Secure bicycle racks meeting current standards should be placed on main street near every/most entrances from the street to the sidewalk
- Main Street should be designed to accommodate bicycle travel, with consideration given to young and inexperienced bikers.

- A separated bicycle accommodation is highly preferred.

These sample statements have not been vetted by TPAC-Bike but are only ideas for a starting point at this time. There was discussion that (car) parking should not be specifically mentioned in any TPAC-Bike comments and that we should stick with talking about bicycles. Most but not all members present agreed. The issues associated with bicycling next to front-in angled parking were recognized.

#### **North State St/Rumford St intersection**

The committee reviewed the drawings provided by Jeff Warner. The committee felt the project overall was acceptable to bicycles although it wasn't ideal. The previous iteration with a refuge island designed to accommodate bicycles is preferable, but the committee understands the current situation where the intersection will likely be re-built in several years due to the Langley Parkway extension. There was concern about the narrowness of the sidewalk at the edge of the building on the south side of the intersection. It was questioned if the intersection could be moved a little bit further from the building to provide more space.