

**Barre City Transportation Advisory Committee**  
**June 16, 2021 6:30pm**  
**Virtual; (ZOOM)**

Present: Giuliano Cecchinelli, Arthur Bombardier, Renita Marshall, Michael Hellein, Joanne Reynolds, Jake Hemmerick

City Support Staff: Steve Mackenzie, City Manager; Bill Ahearn, Director of Public Works

Visitors:

1. Meeting called to order
  - a. Vice chair Hellein called the meeting to order at 6:37pm
2. Adjustments to the Agenda:
  - a. ~~Two~~ Three topics from Bill Ahearn
    - i. Intersection of Perry and Hill Streets
    - ii. Intersection of Berlin Street and North Main Streets
    - iii. Railroad crossing project
3. Approval of May 26, 2021 Minutes
  - a. Move to accept Minutes by Bombardier
  - b. Second by Marshall
  - c. All voted: aye and minutes were approved.
4. Visitors and Communication
5. Old Business:
  - 5.1 Metro Way – Dangerous Intersection  
Decision: tabled until July meeting
6. New Business:
  - 6.1 VTrans Project -Merchant St./Rte. 14
    - 6.1a ~~Vtrans~~ VTrans consultant was not available for presentation tonight
    - 6.1b Will be rescheduled with Committee
  - 6.2 VTrans Project -Quarry St Intersection
    - 6.2a VTrans consultant was not available for presentation tonight
    - 6.2b Will be rescheduled with Committee
  - 6.3 Items added to the Agenda
    - i. Intersection of Perry and Hill Streets
      1. With Perry Street under construction, now is the time to considering changing this from a Y intersection to a T intersection with a stop sign and would extend sidewalks and crosswalk

- 2. Committee supported the intersection change and extended sidewalks and raised questions about crosswalk location
- ii. Intersection of Berlin Street and North Main Streets w/railroad crossing project
  - 1. VTrans will be adding a stop bar on the railroad tracks (location: RK Miles); most likely Granite and Prospect Streets as well
  - 2. Project cost does not cover traffic light.
  - 3. Various suggestions were made about how to address the Berlin Street and North Main Street intersection
  - 3.4 **What was the consensus (in lieu of a formal vote) as to lane changes on No. Main St?**

6.4 Future Agenda Topics (Manager)

- a. Develop and Adopt Complete Streets Program
- b. Traffic Calming Corridor Plan/Parking/Traffic Changes
- c. Evaluate/Develop Truck Detour/Travel Restrictors Plan
- d. Develop a citywide long-range bicycle and pedestrian plan
- e. Update/Develop/Streets Standards
- f. Location of a city's first traffic circle (?)

7. Other Business

8. Confirm Next Meeting Date: July 21, 2021

- a. Meeting will be in person – details of hybrid options to follow

9. Round Table

- a. Renita Marshall reminded everyone this is her last TAC meeting as she is not asking to be reappointed. She shared her wish list for the Committee.
  - i. Working w/~~Vtrans~~VTrans to narrow lane from Berlin Street onto VT Route 62 as it is not a double lane; as a reminder, there are two traffic signals there as a safety issue
  - ii. Start the planning process to improve the intersection at Berlin and North Main Streets and consistently update public
  - iii. Add sidewalks everywhere we are able to install
  - iv. Increase crosswalks (not just downtown)

10. Meeting adjourned: 8:15

- a. Moved by Hellein
- b. Seconded by Reynolds

b. Renita: I think minutes should reflect committee decision re: next meeting date, and also the Committee decision as to in-person or hybrid.

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