



Minutes

- Robotics team shared their geocache contribution to the Smith Middle School trail.
- Past BWG president Allen F recognized for his prior contributions
- Brief update on financials (little quarter over quarter change)
- Safe streets effort focusing on 5 areas right now but have not yet determined how those areas will be improved
- Main Street sidewalk effort planned for completion in 2026
- Cross walk improvements have been approved from the town (see details in the agenda below)
- Town considering grant for enhancing open space trail systems, but Arbor Acres Open Space is the preferred option. BWG to send a letter of support, vote passed unanimously to support.
 - Other options considered were MDC Property and Woodhaven
- Town has released [Fun Finder website](#), but has yet to add in biking options.
- Selectman from Portland will be invited to a future meeting to outline future plans for Airline Trail
- Trail Blazing of Smith Middle Trail now paused and needs to wait for warmer weather
- School system evaluating how volunteers could assist with in-school bicycle education
- Jeff to advocate through BAG to resume sidewalk connection funding in next town budget

AGENDA 12-08-2025

End of Year Fiscal report from Treasurer

Recognition Achievement Presentation

UPDATES-Safe Streets Representatives- Surveys completed with ongoing data analysis of High Injury Network Corridors

Main Street Sidewalk funding vote affirmed.

Nye Road Housing Authority project input

Crosswalks to be improved with installation of **Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB)**: Main Street 400' north of Hubbard St- Main Street @ Hollister Way- Salmon Brook Drive @ New London Tpke by Whole Foods Fox Run Mall Plaza- *Town Council requested Griswold Street @ Naubuc School w/request from input from GPD & BOE.

2026 Grant Projects (LOTSIP/CROG) finalized for Council approvals.

New London Turnpike at Neipsic Rd and Hubbard Street modernized signalization with crosswalk and lane width/shoulder turning radii improvements.

New London Turnpike & Chestnut Hill Road –

** Neipsic Road & Karen Lee Sidewalks

*** Naubuc Ave @East Hartford Town Line Pedestrian walkway

****DEEP Grant application by Parks & Recreation – Site reviews/ Selection

TOG / Parks Web Site “Fun Finder” to go public featuring new Bike Routes with extensive mapping and way finding info.

ST of CT Active Transportation Plan Update -John Adams & Chris Siwy attended.

OLD BUSINESS DISCUSSION- Trail Blazing at MTB network Addison Bog, need work group to help complete-

Status of BOE safe bike program- Bell St to Harvest Lane sidewalk- Status of Bike Route signs Salmon Brook House to Naubuc to Putnam Bridge- E-Bike Developments-Continue to promote bike to school & Bike bus programs.

NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSION - New member & letter – Brainstorming with past President Freidrich.

Initial meeting w Town Manager- new trail potential and other topics

Short- & Long-Term Goals- recruitment of new members ideas – plan for future events – i.e... Sidewalk completion celebratory ribbon cutting- walks – Addison Bog “rally”, e-bike rodeo. Walk- exercise events. Safety promotions- battery disposal- helmet fitting child seat events- Traffic gardens for kid’s bike training –

*Naubuc School Crosswalk improvements recommended by council to be part of this project

** Karen Lee Road @ Neipsic Rd sidewalks, tabled by the Town council along with

***The request from East Hartford to pursue pedestrian enhancements of the narrow Naubuc Ave bridge at the town line

**** Three sites considered for the grant application, and a fourth site added to the list by the council. One site selected for the potential grant award.

2026 MEETING DATES: Monday March 9

Monday June 8

Monday September 14

Monday December 14

