

TOWN OF MILTON    Approved September 21, 2021  
Streets, Sidewalks and Parks Committee  
121 Union Street  
Milton, Delaware  
August 17, 2021

The Chairman of the Streets, Sidewalks and Parks Committee called the monthly meeting to order at 3:00 P.M., in the Milton Library, 121 Union Street, Milton, De.

Roll Call: Greg Wingo, Public Works Supervisor, Peter Cornell, George Cardwell, Kelly Pettyjohn and Chairman John Bushey, absent were Mary Ann Donnan, and D. J. Hughes.  
Chairman John Bushey

Guest: Cape Gazette Ryan Maverty was also present.

Additions or Corrections to the Agenda: There were none.

A motion was made by Peter Cornell and seconded by Geroge Cardwell to accept the agenda as presented. Motion so carried.

A motion was made by George Cardwell and seconded by Peter Cornell to accept the minutes for the July 20, 2021, meeting as they are in printed form. Motion so carried.

There were no written comments received regarding the agenda items.

Old Business:

7(a) A discussion took place regarding the 1-to-10-year plan. The committee discussed whether they wanted to have any additions to the plan. Last month the committee added a sidewalk from Mulberry Street to Wagamon's West Shores along Lavinia Street to the list. We will leave the 1-to-10-year plan on the agenda for the next meeting. Greg Wingo will make the correction to be forwarded to the Chairman who will disseminate to the committee.

7(b) Future upgrades to boat slips. The committee thanked Peter Cornell for the drawings he presented to the committee. Discussed were the need for additional slips and getting grant money for planning through DNREC. Planning will be needed to determine the project cost, and if there are any environmental permits required. The committee thought it best to send a letter to the Mayor and Council requesting they look toward the future and up grade the boat slips.

A motion was made by Geroge Cardwell and seconded by Peter Cornell that a letter be sent to the Mayor and Council requesting they begin the procedure to locate funds for planning upgrades to the boat slips. They will need to consider project cost and environmental permits requirements. Motion so carried.

7(c) Route 5 and Route 16 intersection. A discussion took place regarding the Royal Farms project and their traffic study and plans for upgrades to the intersection. The plan lacks a left turn lane West bound from Route 16. Town Manger Ms. Rogers was contacted reference to the concerns at the intersection. Manager Ms. Rogers had forwarded those concerns to DELDOT (Department of Transportation). Alternate times on signals, etc. were discussed. to evaluate Route 16 and 5 as well as Mulberry Street and 16.

Geroge Cardwell discussed some facts he was familiar with at intersections. How do you want to use the 3600 seconds on the traffic light. Greg Wingo stated that safety should be the priority. There was question about putting a light at Route 16 and Mulberry.

Greg Wingo, Maintenance Supervisor for Milton, suggested we invite someone from the Department of Transportation to attend one of our meetings for information.

A motion was made by Peter Cornell and seconded by Kelly Pettyjohn to have someone from DOT come to one of our meetings. Motion so carried.

7(d) Atlantic Avenue was discussed for resurfacing the roadway and installing sidewalks and curbing. The contract for putting a new water line down on Atlantic Avenue has been awarded. The contract, street resurfacing, but does not include sidewalks.

New Business:

8(a) The recommendation for the Town Council regarding the missing sidewalk links. Last month the committee recommended that Lavinia Street from Mulberry Street to Wagamon's West be added. Greg Wingo will make corrections for the next committee meeting.

Sidewalks along Bay Ave to Park Royal (Palmer Street) were discussed. Some of the property owners along Bay Ave have sidewalks and others do not. The town, per code, can mandate property owners to put in sidewalks. It was suggested that we could have the school district fund the sidewalks for safe routes to school. Greg Wingo pointed out the disadvantage to have the school put in the sidewalks. They would identify where the sidewalk would go. A question was asked if a payment schedule could be set up. In 1974 the town received federal revenue and established a revolving fund for sidewalks. The town paid for the curbing and property owners paid for the sidewalk. Greg Wingo pointed out that the town and State had an agreement from the 1920's on the town responsibilities for sidewalks along Federal and Union Streets.

The committee agreed once the missing sidewalk links were upgraded by Greg Wingo, we would forward the recommendation to the town council.

8(b) ADA compliance at intersection. Some of the intersections are not in compliance and we need to identify them.

8(c) Magnolia Street parking issue and traffic flow were discussed. The AD HOC committee that the mayor appointed has made recommendations to the Council regarding Magnolia Street, and other traffic issue, within the town.

The Street-Sidewalk-Parks committee discussed Magnolia Street:

1. No Parking on either side.
2. Making street one way could affect parking lot entrance and exit.
3. No parking and painting yellow zones could take care of problem.
4. Parking lot will be updated soon.
5. Putting arrows on parking entrance and exit.
6. Lowering Speed limit, and enforcement issue.

After much discussion on the above issues the committee wanted to wait for the AD HOC committee's report (available on town web site) and was made available to the Streets-Sidewalks-Park committee.

A motion was made by Peter Cornwell and seconded by Kelly Pettyjohn to adjourn at 3:58 P.M. Motion so carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

John F. Bushey  
Committee Chairman

