

West Hartford Pedestrian and Bicycle Commission Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday April 7, 2025, 7:00 PM

Room 400, Town Hall

1. Call to Order, Attendance taken at 7:00

Ed Pawlak(EP), Jen Bowman(JB), , Andrea Belli(AB),John Wenz(JW), Tristan Sokol (TS) ,
Jill Morawski, (JM)

Members of the public: 1 (Jay)

2. Approval of previous meeting's minutes:

Approved unanimously

3. Old Business

a. Sedgwick Road revised draft Road Safety Audit report:

Reviewed PBC's positive and negative comments to the report. It is important to note that all the report recommendations are aspirational within 5 years timeframe. Also repaving has been postponed to 2026, however in 2025 some quick build projects might be installed (curb extensions, etc.) as per Town Engineer's input.

JM raised the concern of why the town relies so heavily on consultants instead of using the town hall employees.

Discussion over the need to maintain parking spots that jeopardize pedestrian and biking safety.

EP to invite the town planner to discuss parking in town and discuss future plans for the town.

b. 1800 Asylum Avenue application approved; status of PBC recommendations

The town approved the development and PBC provided input

c. Mobility Hub design status:

Still being designed, not clear if our input is being included yet.

JM request to have a more interactive session with the designers to contribute to the final design.

4. New Business:

a. Strategy to improve PBC communication with Town staff

JW to be given more time to provide meaningful feedback (mobility Hub)

All the below points will be discussed in the next meeting:

b. Vision Zero Safe Driver Pledge

c. Draft Vision Zero Quick-Build Supplement

d. Engineering/Vision Zero update

e. P&Z update

f. Complete Streets Policy 2024 Annual Report

g. Vision Zero 2024 Annual Report

5. Around Town

6. Announcements

7. 5/12/2025 PBC meeting - email items you would like included on the agenda to Ed Pawlak (ecosys88@gmail.com)

8. Meeting Adjourned at 8:39 PM

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