

West Hartford Pedestrian and Bicycle Commission Monthly Meeting Minutes

Monday June 09, 2025, 7:00 PM

Room 400, Town Hall.

***Ed Pawlak, Ed Perzanowski, Jen Bowman, John Wenz, Jill M., 4 members of the community,
(Meredith C, Dave S., Jay S., Ethan F.,)***

Exception

1. Call to Order 7:02 pm
 - a. Introductions
2. Approval of previous meeting's minutes: Unanimously approved
3. Old Business: West Hartford Center Reconstruction Project: Does town need to apply for a Complete Streets Exception?

Ed Pa. requested to the commissioners to review the town complete street policy document to determine if the commission should send another letter to the town challenging the applicability of the complete street policy for the Center Reconstruction Project (exception clause)

4. New Business:
 - a. Pedestrian fatality on New Britain Avenue – Evening pedestrian-motor vehicle latest crash acknowledgment.
 - b. Albany Avenue Road Safety Audit Report – the report does not recommend a “road diet” unless the town produces “evidence that the state highway system could accommodate the road diet”. The town is enlisting the help of state representatives to facilitate the state decision to implement a road diet on Albany rd. Jay reports that DOT is only responding to the local traffic authority (not private individuals) : political problem needs political solution
 - c. Strategy to improve PBC communication with Town staff – Ed Pa. to request to Greg S. more notice when requesting input from the PBC

- d. Vision Zero Safe Driver Pledge – the pledge is searchable via the vision zero town website
 - e. Engineering/Vision Zero update – Ed Pa. spoke to Greg S. last week –
 - i. Option Alt 1 is preferred on Steele/Asylum configuration- Unanimous vote cast in favor
 - ii. Kane street/Oakwood/Prospect configuration – unanimous vote to approve bike lane
 - iii. New mini roundabout King Phillips and Old Meadow
 - iv. Several Sedgwick Road quick build projects to be installed (e.g. curb extensions)
 - v. Fed Gov hold removed from funding the red-light camera program
 - f. P&Z Update-none
5. Adjourn at 8:40 PM