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May 5th, 2014  
Minutes by Jonah Petri

1. **Attendees: Jonah Petri, Alan Moore, Max Morrow, Lynn Weissman**
2. **Next Meeting: June 2nd, 7-9 PM at The VNA, 259 Lowell St., Somerville**
3. **The passing out of the pie and the opening of the sparkling cider.**
4. **Path Party!**
  - Ask City if we can party on the path
  - Who can help us organize and plan a party?
    - Ask listserv?
  - What kind of turnout could we get?
  - Dates? **Lynn to doodle poll the group.**
5. **GLX News 4/30/2014:** As part of the Green Line Extension (GLX) project, the project team will both design AND construct the multi-modal Community Path to be built along the GLX in Somerville and Cambridge.
  - **Lynn has Ceremony photos & video**
  - **Lots of listserv problems.** Jonah to continue fixing.
  - **5/14 Public GLX/CPX Design meeting 6-8pm Holiday Inn**
  - **5/9 Meeting w/GLX Design Team**
    - 2/27 letter with FCP recommendations sent to GLX Team and City  
We will ask what the \$39 Million cost assigned to the CPX include, aside from Path? Egress? Retaining walls?
    - Bridgework? Utility Corridor? Other? Request cost estimates.
    - 60% Design now Washington St.to for Somerville City line by North point
    - Design priorities: CPX on GLX viaduct, then what?
    - Can any CPX sections be done earlier (Lowell to Central, to School)?
    - Are there any possibilities for community gardens, vegetation along path (behind High School, other)?
    - What is the access road behind Cambridge Reprographics?
    - Other
  - **FCP goal/strategy shift:** CPX Design/construction and associated advocacy, instead of funding

- - **Artbeat Saturday, 7/19, 11am-6pm** <http://www.somervilleartscouncil.org/artbeat/2014>
    - Map & fliers updates.
    - Thank you letter campaign
    - Update stickers?
    - 3D route on laptops (chained, powered?)
    - “Thank you” poster for people to sign
    - Grand Junction Path
- 6. Grand Junction Path (debriefings)**
- 4/10 MassPike/People’s Pike Mtg
    - Early concepts shown. Lots of support for bike paths
  - Connection to Comm Path looks to be getting harder (review new 3D GLX map)
- 7. Cedar St. to Lowell St.**
- Construction
  - Curb cut for Warwick St. connection – update
    - **Lynn to send Mark Neidergang the covenant**
    - **Jonah to send Landscaping Doc #22 to Lynn**
- 8. Strategic Planning/Outreach: Upcoming Meetings and Events**
- **Tuesday 5/6 Brooklyn Boulders Tabling**
    - Lynn 7:00-8:00 pm (Bring materials)
    - Max 8:00-9:00 pm
    - One 7:00-9:00 pm (Take materials)
  - **Wednesday 5/7 GNI meeting, 9am-1pm (Lynn)**
  - **Wednesday 5/7 and Monday 5/12 CPA Public CPA Mtgs – Who can attend?**
    - Alan will attend.
  - **Monday 5/12, 5-7pm, MSGA/GNI Ina’s farewell party.**
    - Carrie Nation restaurant, 11 Beacon Street, Boston,
    - RSVP to Andre at [andre@ma-smartgrowth.org](mailto:andre@ma-smartgrowth.org) or Nancy at [ngoodman@environmentalleague.org](mailto:ngoodman@environmentalleague.org)
    - **Alan to attend?**
  - **Next meeting with City**
    - Planting trees around Somerville as mitigation for tree loss as part of GLX project?
    - Party on CPX? (See above)
    - CPX repairs, w/non-CPA funding: Grading at Willow Street and approaching Trolley Square, to re-route water pools, and also paving all along existing CPX.
    - Trees Cedar-Lowell
    - RR Artifacts on CPX with CPA funding (as Historic Preservation)
    - Ask George for list of what \$220K from developer to Somerville was used for
    - Where is the curb cut at Warwick St going to be?
  - **Easy Ride Travel Time – One Hwang. Review, now that CPX is funded?**

- **Federal Transportation funding**

## **9. Debriefings**

- **4/26 New England Meeting of the East Coast Greenway**
  - Alan: interesting for networking and big picture paths, but no SCP content.
- **5/1 B2Green Tabling**
  - Jon was there, got interviewed (maybe on SCATV?)

## **10. Misc**

- Community Path counting update - Would be great to get before/after counts for CPX. Sensor counters? MAPC/CTPS?
  - **Lynn to re-ask for CTPS**
  - Need better map of path thru the City, in conjunction with SBC/City (outsiders get lost)
- Community Path gardening updates