



# BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**DATE:** Thursday, January 22, 2026      **TIME:** 6:30 PM

**PLACE:** Town Offices      **ADDRESS:** 50 Billerica Road      **ROOM:** 200

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## Meeting Minutes

Members Attending: D. Antonelli, M. Carignan, R. Klinkhammer, R. Schneider, J. Warhurst

Members Absent: J. Dave, J. Haouchine, S. Maggio

Public Present: D. Chandler, B. Judd

Meeting called to Order at 6:30 PM by the Chair, R. Klinkhammer.

### 6:30 Public Input

- DD. Chandler mentioned the book *Derailed*, which takes place partly in Chelmsford.
- Friends of the BFRT (FBFRT) will participate in the Chelmsford High School Wellness Fair on Friday, March 6. Activities will include a helmet raffle, trail safety “training,” and BFRT temporary tattoos.
- Summary of the recent FBFRT meeting was shared.
- The organization “American Trails” offers free training opportunities.

### 6:40 Membership Discussion

- Members discussed strategies to increase BPAC participation, including outreach to neighbors and placing information about BPAC on trail kiosks.
- The possibility of creating a Facebook presence was discussed.
- J. Warhurst will send an email to the Town Manager inquiring about attendance policies.
- Advertising BPAC in the FBFRT newsletter was suggested.

### 6:45 Announcements

- The committee will have continued use of Room 200 through June.
- Discussion regarding thank-you letters to local businesses (e.g., The Bike Shop); confirmation needed on whether they were sent.
- Future agenda item: discussion regarding the crash on November 21.
- Discussion of a recently passed New Jersey law banning Class 2 and 3 e-bikes from certain high-speed roads.

### 7:00 Approval of Meeting Minutes from Regular Session on November 20, 2025

- A motion to approve the minutes from November 20, 2025 as amended was made by M. Carignan and seconded by D. Antonelli. Motion carried.

**7:15 Update Trail Safety Concerns (R. Klinkhammer)**

- N/A

**7:30 Discussion on additional uses for BPAC website (J. Warhurst)**

- J. Warhurst will draft language for the website indicating that BPAC is seeking additional members and encouraging attendance.

**7:40 Discussion on Adding Railroad Memorabilia on the BFRT in Chelmsford (R. Schneider)**

- R. Schneider will draft a letter to C. Clancy outlining the committee's interest in relocating and displaying railroad artifacts along the trail and requesting assistance.

**7:50 Middlesex Canal Connection to BFRT (R. Klinkhammer)**

- The committee discussed identifying local firms to assist with a feasibility study.
- Work continues on completing a funding grant application to FBFRT for the feasibility study.

**8:20 Updates**

- LRTA Advisory Board (J. Warhurst)
  - o N/A
- BPAC DPW (S. Maggio)
  - o Turnpike Road sidewalks completed up to approximately 1,100 feet.
  - o Email from C. Clancy regarding Turnpike Road Phase II sidewalk and Main Road Phase I/III (reference M. Carignan email); not funded for this fiscal year.
- Trail Maintenance Program (R. Schneider)
  - o Trail conditions generally clear from Center to Lowell; some ice south of Center.
  - o Tunnels under I-495 and Route 3 have been repainted.
  - o Homeless encampments observed near I-495.
  - o Signage at Carol Cleven Park showing signs of fading; committee approved flipping the sign panels to refresh appearance.
- BPAC Account Status (J. Warhurst)
  - o \$1,890.09
  - o J. Warhurst will email the Town Clerk regarding porta potty placement in the town center and confirm cost consistency.
- BPAC email report (R. Klinkhammer)
  - o N/A

**8:55 Future Meeting Dates and New Agenda Items**

- N/A

**8:55 Adjournment**

- J. Warhurst made a motion to adjourn. D. Antonelli seconded. Motion carried.