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ORLEANS TOWN CLERK

## Orleans Transportation and Bikeways Advisory Committee

Monday February 2, 2026 @ 3:30 PM

### MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDEES: Peter Allgeier- Chair, Police Chief Scott MacDonald, Fire Chief Geoff Deering, Planning Director George Meservey, DPW Deputy Director Calvin Sutton, Stephanie Gaskill, Bob McDonald, Joel Porten, Doug Prentiss ( by Zoom), Griffin Ryder

1. Call to Order – Peter Allgeir called the meeting to order at 3:30
2. Public Comment – Sue Christie asked that the committee consider the request for No Parking signs or other modifications such as One Way traffic for Mill Lane  
Alice Thomason spoke about funds for safety in the DPW budget, the Route 6 Rotary possible changes, and Eldredge Parkway / Route 6A upcoming plans.
3. Communication. Peter Allgeier read a letter from J. Marble regarding Mill Lane NO PARKING request and other problems on Mill Lane. Mr. Marble described the problems the overgrowth of the large trees that surround Windswept Condominiums create.
4. Mill Lane NO PARKING signs. Calvin Sutton indicated Mill Lane is not a laid out road. Chief Mac Donald discussed the dangerous condition the overgrowth of large trees and shrubs had created at the Beach Road intersection with Mill Lane. George Meservey provided historical information about the temporary revocable license the condominium developer had obtained for tree plantings close to the road when the condominium Windswept was built. Chief MacDonald spoke about the ineffectiveness of NO PARKING signs since there are already town requirements for 10 foot travel lanes throughout the town and violations blocking the road are already subject to ticketing without the addition of signs all over town. Clearing of the shrubs and trees on the corner of Beach Road and Mill Lane was discussed as a possible future recommendation. Chief MacDonald spoke about Mill Lane issues not being something we could immediately resolve and that further consideration regarding needs of the situation and best remedies available need to be discussed before recommendations can be made.  
**George Meservey will research the conditions under which the current plantings for Mill Lane Windswept Condominiums were provided a revocable license and will report the findings to the committee at a future meeting. Mill Lane will appear on the March or April agenda for further discussion.**
5. Signage for Overland Ext. for CCRT : Bob McDonald talked about the needs for 5 spots where directional signs for the CCRT would be helpful. Calvin talked about having a consistent theme with other Wayfinding signs that Orleans is going to be installing . Calvin will coordinate with both Mass DOT for signs on Route 6A and Susie Johnson from CCRT for signs on the Rail Trail.

Alice Thompson spoke about the advantage of having a map sign and the need for a pedestrian crossing on 6A.

Griffin Ryder suggested that as an alternative we could look at doing 6A Pedestrian lights as a Permit Project where the town gets a permit from the state for work, on the state road Route 6A but the town finances it.

**Calvin will also follow up with Dave Knowlon and other Mass DOT entities to determine where in the Queue our requests for pedestrian crossing lights on Route 6A stand.**

**6. Salty Ridge, CCRT, and West Road Intersection :** Bob McDonald, Joel Porten and Calvin Sutton provided a visual presentation of the problems on West/ Salty Ridge/ and CCRT intersection. Doug Prentiss provided a historical review of past considerations and changes.

Short term suggestions are :

- 1) Additional signage for road sharing & 4 ft Vulnerable Users Law
- 2) A 20 MPH safety zone

Mid-term are;

- 3) A traffic calming speed table at West Road CCRT with vibrant paint
- 4) A traffic calming table just north of Salty Ridge also with vibrant paint.

Long term are:

- 5) Expanding the South Side of West Road to create a 10 'Shared Use Path connection (narrowing to 8' over the bridge) connecting CCRT to Salty Ridge.
- 6) Expand bike lanes on both sides of West Road by eliminating some grass strips and possibly moving guard rails

There was discussion from Chief MacDonald about the importance of the correct placement of speed calming tables and the enforcement of 20 MPH limits.

During a discussion about funding for the long term projects Griffin suggested that in other towns project design and engineering for CCRT modifications was funded by the towns but the actual project construction was funded by the Cape Cod Commission. **Griffin will discuss this with the Cape Cod Commission and see what their reaction and possible option suggestions are . He will also provide documents he has developed regarding speed policies for distribution to the committee.**

**7. Main Street: Status of VHB Field Survey.** Calvin Sutton indicated VHB will have the Field Survey site work for Main Street completed and will have the report to him by the end of February. **Calvin will advise the committee before our March meeting if VHB can be prepared to show their findings at our March 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.**

Calvin indicated that there is \$500K for Main Street Design Engineering in the CIP for FY'27 and \$6 million for construction in FY'31. He indicated there is flexibility in moving FY'31 up to an earlier time slot. In the discussion that followed it was determined that since the results of the Field Survey would include presentations to the public the \$500k for Design and Engineering would be targeted for the fall town Warrant.

**8. Review of February 3<sup>rd</sup> Community meeting agenda .( Peter Allgeier)** A short discussion of the use of the room and easels . Committee members planning to attend: Allgeier, Meservey, Sutton, Gaskill, McDonald, Porten, Prentiss, Ryder. Josh Cone- Reddy from VHB will attend and do his presentation in person.

**9. Staff Liaison review: Communication to Town Manager's office** will be done through our liaison Calvin Sutton

**10. Approve meeting minutes from 1/05/26 meeting.** Approval of meeting minutes moved by Geoff Deering seconded by Doug Prentiss . Abstentions by Chief MacDonald and Griffin Ryder. Unanimous approval.

**11. Other Business-** Chief MacDonald indicated that he and his officers would be making a presentation on E-Bikes to the Select Board on February 4<sup>th</sup> .

**12. Agenda planning for Monday March. 2, 2026 3:30 PM meeting**  
Eldredge Parkway/6A update ( Calvin Sutton)  
Safety discussion ( Chief MacDonald and Calvin Sutton ) ?  
Mill Lane findings ( George Meservey)  
VHB results of Main Street Field Survey ? ( Calvin Sutton)

*Cape Cod Commission discussion re: CCRT Orleans Interchange ( Griffin Ryder)  
Eldredge Parkway/6A Intersection plans( Calvin Sutton)  
Review of Feb. 3 rd Beach Road Community meeting*

**13)** *Move to Adjourn Meeting by Stephanie Gaskill seconded by Calvin Sutton- Unanimous - adjourned at 5:04 PM*