

**Binghamton Metropolitan Transportation Study
Pedestrian & Bicycle Advisory Committee
Zoom Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2026**

In attendance: Scott Reigle (BMTS), Louisa Tornari (BMTS), Stephanie Brewer (BC Planning), Susan Pitely (NYSDOT Region 9), Steven Bard (Public), Nick Cecconi (Getthere), Carlos Basualdo (Public), Julian Shepherd (BU/City Council Conservation Committee), Hadassah Mativetsky (City Council)

Convened: 1:32 PM

April 13 minutes accepted as written.

Topic	Discussion/Follow Up	Action
Roadway Needs Report:	<p>Follow-up Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None <p>New Needs Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vestal Ave., Binghamton – Bike Lane Feasibility Assessment – Scott shared the findings of the bike lane feasibility analysis that was based on roadway width measurement he & Louisa took on April 21st from Pennsylvania Ave to Rt. 434. Except for two short narrow stretches (Edgebrook Rd. to creek culvert and Lennox Dr. to Rt. 434) bike lanes are possible starting just west of the Pennsylvania Ave. intersection, continuing westbound. Shared lane markings (i.e. sharrows) are recommended in the two constrained sections noted above. Existing on-street parking would need to be eliminated for bike lanes to be installed, however each residence has a driveway and on-street parking is permitted on Vestal Ave. side streets. It was also noted that Vestal Ave. on-street parking is rarely used and when it is, motorists normally need to cross over the center line to go around the parked vehicle. Bike lanes would also visually narrow the travel lanes which would work to calm traffic. Vestal Ave. is signed as Local Bike Route 2, which provides connections to the southside neighborhoods, MacArthur School & Park, South Bridge, and the 434 Greenway. Bike Route 2 on Vestal Ave. runs from Rt. 434 to S. Washington St. so it is also recommended that sharrows be installed from Pennsylvania Ave. to S. Washington St.. The analysis has been submitted to the Binghamton Traffic Board in time for the May 14th meeting for their consideration of the findings and recommendations. 	<p>Action Items:</p> <p>Scott will email the analysis to the Committee.</p>
Announcements and Status Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newspaper Articles/Notices <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2026 Walk, Bike and Roll NY – Scott shared that the last chance to register is soon for this event which will take place in Tarrytown, NY on June 2-3, with an optional NYBC organized bike ride on June 1st. 	<p>Action Items:</p> <p>Register for Bike, Walk and Roll as well as the NYBC Ride & Dine event at Home - 2026 Walk, Bike & Roll</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Scott reminded the Committee about how the public can provide input on their ideas to revitalize the Binghamton Plaza area, and encouraged the Committee to take advantage of this opportunity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Visit the project website: engagemksk.mysocialpinpoint.com/binghamton-plaza-plan ▪ Add your ideas to the Vision Board and tell us what you want to see on the site ▪ Share the link with neighbors, friends, and other engaged residents who want to stay informed and be part of shaping the future of the North Side. <p>An Open House Public Outreach Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19 from 5:30 - 7:00pm at Roosevelt Elementary School at 9 Ogden St., Binghamton.</p>	<p>New York Symposium. Online registration by Cvent.</p>
<p>Education and Outreach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2026 Binghamton Bridge Pedal –Saturday, August 1, 2026 Scott shared that they are still in the midst of obtaining event permits. Will begin promotions at once the permits are approved. It will be a good idea to reach out to the Binghamton DPW to check if any roadway construction will conflict with the Bridge Pedal. Hadassah noted that the 20th Year proclamation is ready to go. Need to decide the best timing and location to present the proclamation. 	<p>Action Items: Scott, Stephanie, Susan Sherwood and Hadassah need to determine the best timing and location to present the proclamation.</p>
<p>Projects/ Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Two Rivers Greenway Pedestrian & Bicycle Count Quarterly Report – The January – March 2026 Quarterly Report is now available on the BMTS website at https://bmtsonline.com/data/bikeped-counts/. The format is very similar to the Year in Review report. The next quarterly report will have some comparisons between the first and second quarters of 2026. ● Friends of the Two Rivers Greenway (TRG) Group – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Scott shared photos and a report with the Committee about the April 24th Rt. 434 Greenway cleanup that was organized by Hadassah as a part of the Binghamton University Alumni Association Global Days of Service. About twelve people participated by primarily picking up trash. About twelve garbage bags were filled with litter. Several baseballs were also found behind the baseball field. ○ There is a possible cleanup collaboration opportunity coming up with the October 17 Riverbank Cleanup organized by the Broome County Environmental. Management Council. ● Bikes Buses – Scott shared that Parks & Trails NY will be hosting a webinar on creating Bike Buses likely during August. Scott will keep the Committee informed about the webinar. Hadassah mentioned that there may be an Aldrich Avenue Bike Parade on the July 4th weekend. Organizers of the parade may be potential partners for a school bike bus. 	<p>Action Items:</p> <p>Scott will keep the Committee informed about the Parks & Trails NY Bike Bus Webinar.</p>

Agency/ Dept. Updates	<p>NYSDOT Region 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott shared for Susan Pitely that the 363 Gateway Project contract has been awarded on May 7. The Pre-construction meeting has not been scheduled yet. Hopefully, she will have more to report on at the June 8 Committee meeting. <p>Broome County Health Department</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott shared for Devin that the City of Binghamton installed the benches and trash cans on the 434 Greenway. Scott shared photos too. <p>Broome County Planning Department</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stephanie reported that the Chugnut Trail West trail construction is continuing to move forward with paving likely during August/September. Unfortunately, it is not possible to connect to River Terrace during this phase of construction. <p>Binghamton / City Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hadassah shared that she received a complaint that bushes at the end of the Pennsylvania Ave. ramp make it hard for motorists to see when it's clear to pull out. She will look into this. • Hadassah shared that the Front St. parking plan will be discussed at the May 14 Traffic Board meeting. Information from this Committee was submitted. The American Civic Association and residents support the addition of on-street parking. The parking will likely be added, and it will be free and not metered. <p>Getthere</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nick shared that they are in the midst of a NYS review. • Getthere hired a few people for the Call Center and will be having a staff member focus on travel training. 	Action Items:
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Adjourn: 2:45 PM

Next Meeting: Monday, June 8 at 1:30PM