

3/6/2024 BPC Mtg Note

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 9:00 AM

Meeting attendees: **Candice Barber**, Catawba region workforce consultant; **Bret Baronak**, Carolina Thread Trail; **Chelsea Beauchamp**, Fort Mill resident; **Gretchen Benner**, Fort Mill resident; **Joanne Burkett**, Palmetto Cycling Coalition; **Jerry Church**, Tega Cay Lions; **Diane Dasher**, former FMMSD board member; **Luther Dasher**, bicycle safety advocate; **Liz Duda**, Tega Cay Healthy Kids; **Tommy Feemster**, SC DOT; **Dr. Dave Keely**, Tobacco-Free York County; **Stevie Micheli**, SC DHEC; **Janet Wojcik**, Winthrop University, American College of Sports Medicine

Meeting summary: Discussed findings and next steps from 2/9/2024 FMMS walkability study.

Discussion of 2/9/2024 FMMS walkability study

- Route 21 has a wide shoulder.
- Emphasize the opportunity to enhance the Epp Road corridor including visibility. Eppes Road is a SCDOT Road.
- Crosswalk signs were probably from the Fort Mill Primary School days - didn't redo signage or crosswalks.
- Consider that Orchard Park has a blinking illuminated sign during school hours.
- One safety factor is the inexperienced drivers to/from/around FMMS.

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- Large ditch and exposed manhole cover at Jones Branch.
- Gravel road as alternate path.

Next steps:

- Finalize report
- Get on agenda -
 - RFATS Policy Committee - 3/22 and 4/26 from [2024 meeting schedule](#) (Dave & Cleopatra)
 - FM Town Council - public comments (Gretchen); April meeting presentation
 - [FMMS SIC](#) meeting - 3/25 at 4:30 (Liz and Gretchen)
 - FMMSD - 4/9 (Gretchen and Liz)
- Put together powerpoint

Winthrop University article on Exercise Science Professor Janet Wojcik noting FMMS walkability study, past studies, and upcoming study in Boston with world-leading expert Mark Fenton:
<https://www.winthrop.edu/news-events/exercise-science-professor-student-help-fort-mill-high-school-students.aspx>

Transportation efforts can both save money and have an environmental impact