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# Wakefield Safe Streets

Wednesday, 04.29.2026 – 7pm Americal Civic Center

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## Attendees

**John Crisley, Co-Chair**

**Ted Dooling**

**Maureen Nelting**

**Kathleen Tuhy, Co-Chair**

**Dave Wieneke, Comms**

**Kate Davis (vp of wave)**

## Agenda

### Open Discussion

1. Chairman Crisley shared a map of downtown parking spaces that will be created through the Envision Wakefield project. He will see if this can be posted to our website.  
Phase 1 of the Envision project will re-design Main Street between North Avenue and Water Street. The main travel lanes will be striped at the MassDOT standard of about 11/ 11.5 feet, a pedestrian island in Main Street will be built to reduce the crossing distance by half opposite the Galvin Middle School, and a 2-way shared use bikeway will be built on the Galvin side of Main Street. He described how the two phases of the project will transform downtown, if funded. There was extended discussion on the need to activate support for the plan by specific groups.  
(Chamber, Apartments, Galvin, Running Club)
2. April is sexual violence awareness month. Kate Davis encouraged people to attend Take Back the Night vigil at Bandstand or if bad weather the Epissopal Church.
3. Discussion of Salem and Pleasant St intersection with only three crosswalks, as a telephone pole interrupts the fourth walkway. There was discussion on adding link for people seeking crosswalk review. Report non ADA crosswalks to DPW.

## Action Items

1. **Wakefield Town Meeting on May 4, 2026.** Please attend and speak in favor of completing the Rail Trail AND installing covered bike parking along the trail for bikes and strollers at the Richardson St. lot and Omlet Headquarters.
2. **Message Planning:** Co-Chair Crisley and Wieneke will work on a draft 'elevator' message, and content that can be used in support of Envision Wakefield.
3. **Public Meeting for Envision Wakefield / Downtown Revitalization tentatively scheduled for June 2026.** Phase 1 of the project will re-design Main Street between Water and Nahant Streets. This major project will include traffic calming measures, pedestrian traffic islands to shorten the crossing distance, and a 2-way shared pedestrian / bike path on the Galvin Street side of the road. This meeting may be moved to a later month, Chairman Crisley will find out if this will be rescheduled.
4. **Chamber Meeting with Envision Committee,** May 11 - 8am.
5. **Open Street Sunday** (Bill Spaulding) - Bill found that the proposed June 14 date is not available. An alternate date may be proposed.

## Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 27, 2027

America Civic Center - 7 pm - 8:30 pm