



Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2018 – 6:00 to 7:30 pm

Springfield City Hall Library Meeting Room, 225 5th Street, Springfield

Attendance

Staff:

Emma Newman, Michael Liebler, Jolynn Barker, Sophie McGinley

BPAC members:

Allison Camp, Robin Mayall, Matthew Auxier, Claudia Denton, Alex Bauman, Sheri Moore (Council Liaison), Andrew Landen (Planning Commission Liaison), Ray Linneman, Karla Berg, Tim Hayden, Matt Keeler, Holly Rockwell, Matt Nelson, Simon Daws (Willamalane Liaison), Brian Sorensen, Laughton Elliott-DeAngelis (Safe Routes to School Liaison)

Public:

Leonard Stoehr (City Council), Bill Gabriel, Margot Kitchen

CALL TO ORDER. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Welcome/Introductions

All present introduced themselves.

Agenda Review

No changes to the agenda.

Committee Business

Public Comment

No public comment.

Meeting Minutes

Holly Rockwell moved to approve the minutes from December 2017.

Ray Linneman seconded.

All approved.

Protocols & Ground Rules

Claudia Denton moved to approve the Protocols and Ground Rules.

Allison Camp seconded.

All approved.

Elections

Holly Rockwell was added to the ballot for Eugene ATC Liaison.

Allison Camp was added to the ballot for the position of Vice Chair.

Robin Mayall moved to elect two Eugene ATC Liaisons.

Brian Sorensen seconded that motion.

All approved.

Claudia Denton, Allison Camp and Holly Rockwell spoke briefly about their qualifications.

The following were elected:

Chair – Claudia Denton

Vice Chair – Allison Camp

Eugene ATC Liaison – Ian-Huei Yau

Alternative Eugene ATC Liaison – Holly Rockwell

North Bank Path Lighting

Staff presented information about the ongoing discussion and latest letter of recommendation that the BPAC had approved in December 2017 for the benefit of new members. After introducing the topic, staff handed out a questionnaire to all BPAC members to gather more input about the objectives of and type and duration of preferred lighting along the Northbank Path.

Brian Sorensen asked what time the lights will be on in the morning.

Emma Newman answered that it will be at 6 am when the park opens.

Tim Hayden asked how many people use the path outside of operating hours.

Robin Mayall responded that it can get dark at 4:30 which makes it treacherous.

Tim asked if the City will be liable for injury if the lights are not turned on.

Michael Liebler answered that state law still requires riders to have an operating bike light so he doesn't think the City would be liable.

Laughton Elliott-DeAngelis thinks that having lighting outside of operating hours is good for public safety.

Andrew Landen added that the point is to make the path visible in forested areas.

Claudia Denton mentioned that she would like a motion-sensor lighting option.

Holly Rockwell suggested only lighting one path and leaving the other one dark.

Matt Keeler asked if they know how the lighting will impact wildlife.

Allison replied that she knows it can affect nocturnal animals.

Laughton mentioned that lights have brought in more bugs and spiders.

Robin added that bats could be attracted to the bugs too.

Emma asked the committee members to pick the best option that is closest to what they want on the handout.

2018 Subcommittees

Robin Mayall gave a brief overview of each committee and what they work on.

The following subcommittees are:

Programming: Robin Mayall, Claudia Denton, Holly Rockwell, Karla Berg, Brian Sorensen, Matt Nelson, Sheila Thomas, Sandy Coffin

Planning: Matthew Auxier, Matt Keeler, Ray Linneman, Tim Hayden, Allison Camp, Ian Yau, Zach Golik, Garry Swanson

Updates

TSP Implementation Project

Emma Newman gave an update on the project. There have been two public hearings with a lot of input. She requested additional input from the committee before it is presented to City Council.

Virginia-Daisy Bikeway

Emma Newman informed the group that the City is making progress on the Virginia-Daisy Bikeway. More design details will be coming out soon.

Main Street Crossing (66th/67th)

Michael Liebler gave an updat on the crossing that is 60% designed. It is still being planned to be built this summer.

Lane TrAC Update

Robin Mayall gave an update on Lane Transportation Advisory Committee. Robin asked for at least two members to attend a meeting to give an update on the BPAC. Allison Camp, Ray Linneman, and Holly Rockwell volunteered to attend.

Wrap Up/Next Steps

Emma Newman spoke about the Doodle Poll for the March Bike Share Demo Virginia-Daisy Corridor ride.

Info Share

Emma Newman shared the following info:

- May is Bike Month
- Wheels by the Willamette will be held on May 18, 4-6 PM
- Mill Race Path/Booth Kelly Trailhead bike-ped counter is now installed and operating
- HIV Alliance sent a thank you letter for the free bike lights

Laughton Elliott-DeAngelis informed the committee about a Program Assistant job opportunity with Safe Routes to School.

Sophie McGinley let the committee know that the City of Springfield has applied to be a Bike Friendly Business (through Travel Oregon and the League of American Bicyclists) and Bicycle Friendly Community (through the League of American Bicyclists).

Simon Daws said that Willamalane is having a Beginners Bike Maintenance class on April 28.

Claudia Denton mentioned that Veneta is having a Transportation Open House on March 15. Also, there is a Safe Kids West Family Safety Fair on May 12.

Next Meeting: April 10, 2018; 6-7:30