

REPORT OF BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

September 13, 2017 - 9:00 AM

Conference Room, County-City Building
1515 Strongs Avenue, Stevens Point, WI 54481

PRESENT: Janis Borski, Bill Fehrenbach, Trevor Roark

STAFF PRESENT: Associate Planner Kyle Kearns, Director of Public Works Scott Beduhn

ALSO PRESENT: Alderperson Tori Jennings

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1. Call to order.
2. Persons who wish to address the committee for up to three (3) minutes on a non-agenda item.*
Consideration and Possible Action on the Following:
3. Staff Update.
4. Discussion of September Bicycle and Pedestrian count
5. Review Stevens Point's current bicycle parking standards/ordinance (Chapter 23.01(14)(f) – Zoning Ordinance) and compare to other City's standards
6. Cycling Without Age event (September 15, 2017)
7. Main Street Parks & Xtreme Pedestrian Crossing (XPX) event (September 15, 2017)
8. Review of Mission/Vision Statement
9. Review and update of BPAC goals/priorities for 2017
10. Sidewalks are for Walking posters/signage/coordination.
11. Adult/Senior bicycle riding workshops/classes (Cathy Dugan).
12. Schedule next meeting.
13. Adjourn.

1. Call to Order.

Meeting called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Chair Trevor Roark.

2. Persons who wish to address the committee for up to three (3) minutes on a non-agenda item.

Janis recounted a conversation with resident Nick Butter who was observing bicyclists on Main Street recently ignoring signals, riding against traffic, texting. She also asked about the possibility of a BPAC website.

Consideration and Possible Action on the Following:

3. Staff Update.

Staff member Kearns mentioned that communications with CN regarding the Whiting Trail are ongoing. Scott updated the committee on the TAP grant consultant process. Statements of Qualification (SOQs) must be reviewed in October.

4. Discussion of September Bicycle and Pedestrian count

Committee member Fehrenbach advised that the count, set for today (13th) and Saturday (16th), was still in need of volunteers for Saturday.

5. Review Stevens Point's current bicycle parking standards/ordinance (Chapter 23.01(14)(f) – Zoning Ordinance) and compare to other City's standards

Discussion focused on three areas to address: number of spaces (or perhaps ratio to car spaces), location of parking, and design of structure. More discussion will occur at upcoming meetings.

6. Cycling Without Age event (September 15, 2017)

Tori Jennings (District 1 Alderperson) will host a Cycling Without Age Event on Friday, September 15. The date was selected to coincide with a presentation by Tori and Michelle Bachaus (Wis Bike Fed) at the Rotary Club of Greater Portage County on Friday morning. Presentation and demonstrations are also planned at the ADRC (Lincoln Center) at 10:30, at the Portage County Health Care Center at 1:00, and at the Main Street Parks event in late afternoon.

7. Main Street Parks & Xtreme Pedestrian Crossing (XPX) event (September 15, 2017)

Chairperson Roark mentioned the upcoming event and invited all to attend.

8. Review of Mission/Vision Statement

Motion by Bill Fehrenbach, second by Janis Borski, to postpone agenda items 8, 9, 11. Motion Carried 3-0.

9. Review and update of BPAC goals/priorities for 2017

Item postponed

10. Sidewalks are for Walking posters/signage/coordination.

Committee members raised concern about the image on the poster. It could be interpreted that the bicyclist is riding on the left side of the car. The committee informally suggests that the poster image needs some work.

11. Adult/Senior bicycle riding workshops/classes (Cathy Dugan).

Item postponed

12. Schedule next meeting.

Special Meeting: October 11, 9 – 11 am. Two agenda items: TAP Grant SOQ review and Bike Parking Regulations.

13. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08.