



L-A Bicycle Pedestrian Committee Agenda
Second Floor Conference Room

Auburn City Hall

June 25th, 2014

5:00pm – 6:30pm

Members: Craig Saddlemire, Kristen Cloutier, Bob Rand Jeremiah Bartlett, Sherie Blumenthal

Staff: Ed Barrett, Gary Johnson, Dan Guoyette

Guests: Jamel Torress, Shaad Masood, Christine Adamowicz, William

5:00pm – Intro, Updates, Acceptance of Minutes

Craig – Presented to council on Pine Street

Ed – Council would like to workshop the addition of bike lanes to all future streets.

Dan – Invited to speak on Auburn Projects

Gary – Working on complete streets for downtown

Jeremiah – Doing a green colored bike lane along commercial street. MDOT is going to pay for it.

Bob – MDOT will be passing their internal complete streets policy soon. Bob is working on East Coast Greenway stuff. Doing “Gearing up for the challenge” trainings with Dominic from Busytown Bikes. It will be a 6 week class.

Jamel – Rain or shine, there will be a bike safety rodeo tomorrow at Geiger school. The event is at 6pm.

Modify Rick from guest to staff member. Jeremiah makes motion to approve minutes from last meeting, seconded by Kristen (5-0).

5:10pm – Update on Rt. 136 and Park Avenue

Park Ave – 5' bike lanes on both sides and sidewalk on opposite side as Church. Painting will happen in July. Section from School to Lake Street will include 5' bike lanes both sides and sidewalk from school side. The terrible section is being handled by MDOT and is currently being designed. Looking for more MDOT funding for this project in place of funding a round-about. MDOT is still hesitant to mark bike lanes on this section. City is asking them to include the markings. Only at 60% design so far. Ed pointed out that the project is very expensive. About \$3.7 million for 1.5 mile. Lincoln

Street was 3 million dollars for a similar length.

136 – Project has changed some. From Dunn Street to Cemetery, it will have 5' foot shoulder/bike lane to cemetery. From cemetery to town, there is a section that will not have sidewalk because of on-street parking (for about 250').

Lake Street will have 2' shoulders, but no bike lane. The other section of Lake Street is on the radar but there's no current plan to the other section.

Also, re-doing Hotel road, which will have 4' shoulders. Shoulders were accidentally striped incorrectly at 1'.

Whitney will have sidewalks, but no bike lanes.

Old Brook road is being rebuilt by city (inlet to Lake Auburn, towards Minot). It will not include bike lane. It's basically a cut-through for Minot residents. It's 24' wide.

Re-doing pedestrian ramps on Turner street to include ADA ramps.

North River Road - There's a desire to connect multi-use path from Auburn to state park in Turner. It would cost \$4-5 million.

Craig asked Dan how things are going with the complete streets policy. Dan has a history with bike ped stuff. Dan said we need to designate preferred corridors for bike paths, but not widen every road. What can be done on Center Street? A new industrial park is being developed. Someone has asked about whether a bike lane will be there.

5:40pm – Complete Streets RFP

Craig shared revised RFP. There were a few small suggestions. Kristen makes motion to support RFP with inclusion of suggestions made tonight, Sherie seconds. Motion passes (5-0). It will go out early July.

6:00pm – Safe Routes to School

Darcy Whittemore and SRTS came to LA this spring. Four schools participated in surveys: Lewiston Middle, Montello, Walton, Shewoood Heights. Return rate was 16%-29% return rate. There were incentives for people to return the surveys. Reports will come back in 6-8 weeks. Darcy will sit down with school's transportation director.

6:05pm – East Coast Greenway Signs

ECG has an on and off-road route from Florida to Canada. Part of the ECG comes through Lewiston. There is a ride this summer to highlight the route between Lewiston and Brunswick (during Saturday of Balloon Festival). We want to install East Coast Greenway signs. The cost to get the signs is around \$350. Ed said ATRC might be able to help with installation costs. They also need authorization from city to do the work.

6:10pm – If we want to partner with Bates students to collect or analyze data or do research, the offer is there but we have to discuss it with the Harvard Center for Community Partnerships well before the semester begins. Maybe students could help people track their rides with the application that Chrissy mentioned (developed in RI). Bob said he get's harassed while he uses the bike lane. Maybe students could research why people aren't riding. Maybe bike affordability is a problem. Kristen explained that there's a community-engaged environmental course that Holly was looking for. Each semester it depends on the course. There's no guarantee that projects will fit with course. Maybe we can make a request to Holly and she can let us know when something comes up that relates to this. As things come up, we can keep sending them to Holly. Sherie volunteered to work on writing this with Bob. Kristen said that courses are more research oriented. Data analysis can take place during short term possibly as well.

6:20pm – Addition of new (sub-)committee members

-Ed said July 15th and 21st will include amendments to our by-laws to add to our committee.

6:25pm – Next Agenda Items for July 23?

Consultant selection for RFP

Active Communities, events, programs to promote biking, walking, running, etc.

Public Education

6:30pm – Motion to adjourn made by Sherie, seconded by Jeremiah , motion passes (5-0).