

## L-A Bicycle Pedestrian Committee Agenda Lewiston City Hall Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 5:00pm – 6:30pm

Members Present: Craig Saddlemire, Jeremiah Bartlett, Bob Rand, Adam Lee Staff Present: Gary Johnson, Rick Burnham, Ed Barrett Guests: Jamel Torres, Chrissy Adamowicz

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

Rick – Joan gave lots of praise to Rick for making the greenway path and invited him to present on a panel about getting it done at the AVCOG panel. People from Lisbon should be involved too.

Gary – Engineers in Auburn are going to discuss the peace bridge. Lewiston and MDOT could its plan done next summer. We need to talk to Dan Goyette. Gary will invite him to the next meeting.

Ed – Article in the paper about Build Maine's bike loop from Bates College to Bates Mill. It will include Ash, Pine, Central, Franklin.

Jamel – Chrissy, Mark, and Jamel met last week and looked for trends in reasons why kids don't walk or bike to school. Doing walking audit tomorrow. Longley is doing a walking school bus everyday now. Joan Walton will join.

Jeremiah – Wants to follow up on Veteran's. ATRC send request to MDOT for bike symbol on bike light.

Motion made by Adam to accept minutes from last meeting, seconded by Jeremiah. Motion passed (4-0).

5:10pm – Lisbon Street

Rick showed everyone the design ideas for Lisbon Street. Plan is to mill and fill, leave curb line where it is, remove high compression pavers, replace with poured in place concrete on sidewalks. Signal improvements will allow lights to be controlled at AVCOG via fiber-optics. Rick wants to preserve large patches of pavers and re-use them by installing them to mark off property lines. They will color the concrete. Existing pavers will be along building line as well. Will not replace cobble. Travel width for vehicles are 11-12'. 8' parking lanes. Bike lanes is 5'. Wheelchair ramps will be concrete. Intersections will be high visibility crosswalks. Ed suggested fancy ideas in the intersection. Example, bronze mice. Bike racks will go in. Bob asked what if

local metal works school made us bike racks? Single lane will be at all intersections. Could benches be moved so they allow one to see the street? Mid-block crosswalks will be left in place. Feds want non-concurrent crosswalks. There will be public meetings and input on this plan. Plan to put 5' grid down the center to minimize disruption to businesses, but it will be disruptive. Lights will be re-wired. Ed asked if an in-sidewalk light pointed up is possible. MDOT will pay for the proposed concept, including sidewalk. Jeremiah had two thoughts: 1) is there room for buffer between lane and parking 2) if we adjust parking area, what if we changes things near the bike corral. Can we add parking anywhere? Area next to Mother India would be good for bike corral. People will send pictures to Rick. Want to finish public hearings in November and December. What if we re-used cobble to create protected bike lane? Can we do some type of treatment to protect the bike lane, if it's not cobble. Also doing reconstruction on Bartlett Street to make it look like Walnut. Some of those enhancements will need to be done with local money. This is the official presentation to the bike ped committee. Jeremiah suggested we start charging for parking on Lisbon Street.

## 5:45pm – Riverside Greenway Debrief

Rick said the ribbon cutting happened. It is complete. It started in June. The project went well. There was good turnout for ribbon cutting. More than 70 people there. Dan Stewart was there and he was instrumental in getting us the funding for all of this. This is phase 2 of the Riverside Greenway. DOT won't be funding anymore off-road bike paths. The required federal aside no longer exists and the state is not doing it. DOT decided to continue with the program one more year and Lewiston got the last big grant. Final cost was \$1.25 million. GIS will make the layer its own map. Adam asked if there are thoughts to mile mark it. Bob submitted paperwork to add that trail to East Coast Greenway.

## 5:50pm – Auburn Presentation Debrief

Auburn Council said they had no objections to passing a membership expansion for the committee as Lewiston did. We will reach to the public health committee to discuss the seat for public health and wellness. Also, Auburn council would like to know if our committee has approved a street as complete when it get's done.

## 6:20pm - Build Maine

Presentation was made to council about loop. Looking for way to make temporary markings for the loop. People should attend. Cost to attend full conference is \$75. Trying to do a similar tactical urbanism project by Jeremiah hasn't heard from Dan.

Next Items – Parking and bike lane protection on Lisbon. Peace Bridge with Dan. More conversation on vets bridge. Consultant for Complete Streets manual. Auburn Capital Improvement is coming soon.

Motion to adjourn made by Jeremiah, seconded by Bob (4-0).

6:30pm – Adjourn