



L-A Bicycle Pedestrian Committee Minutes

Auburn City Hall

October 26th, 2016

5:00pm – 6:00pm

Members Present: Craig Saddlemire, Bob Rand, Jeremiah Bartlett, Chrissy Adamowicz

Staff: Kris Bennett

Guests:

Intro, Updates, Minutes

Bob – The proposed Sabattus St re-alignment did not pass council. The members of the public who spoke were largely opposed to it. The biggest concern appeared to be how drivers would be turning into a restaurant parking lot. One councilor proposed temporarily painting the design to see if it works okay. Staff said that was not possible. One councilor insisted we try striping it this fall as a trial. Others suggested it get striped as a trial next year. Jeremiah said this can be done and it was successful with a recent project in Portland. A majority of councilors appeared to be in favor of a trial period but they could not find a political compromise around the timing. The motion failed.

Jeremiah – Recently installed new design on Forest Ave, and it includes a continuous buffered bike lane and also added a center turn lane in some places.

Chrissy – Farwell had a good walk-to-school day. 100 kids participated! There was a drop-off point. Lots of parents. Principal hopes to do it again. Also, crosswalk buttons have been added at corner of Lisbon and Ash. Cars appear to still have stop light, so it's not clear why the pedestrian sign doesn't come on with the red light for Lisbon traffic. A big truck took out one of the big new trees.

Kris – Turner street sidewalk rehab has begun. It goes from Talon to Union. Hoping to have public meeting on Lake Street soon.

Presentation to Councils

Present Manual, Studies, history of complete streets policy?

Best Practices Manual appears to be something that staff can immediately incorporate into their work.

For the arterial studies, final approval for large changes will likely need to take place

when that time comes.

Recommendation 2: Provide guidance on future of committee

Option A: Complete Streets Committee is formed under ATRC with ATRC staff support

Option B: Complete Streets Committee is formed through an action of both councils to create a joint standing committee

Present both options and seek council preference. We would develop a recommendation based upon council input. We will try to workshop it in December or January.

Next meeting will be November 16th, 2016, at Lewiston City Hall at 5pm.