



L-A Bicycle Pedestrian Committee Minutes

Lewiston City Hall
December 28th, 2016
5:00pm – 6:00pm

Members Present: Craig Saddlemire, Jim Lysen, Bob Rand, Chrissy Adamowicz, William Steinbock, Nicole Rush

Staff: Ryan Barnes, Kris Bennett, Ed Barrett, Doug Greene

Guests: Sam Herr

Welcome and Intros

New Auburn Village Center Study - Doug presented on what has been accomplished to date. Major plan features: new Riverway road from Mill to Broad, as well as new greenway trail along Little Andy river up to Broad Street. Possibly add Bell towers, raised crosswalks, curb extensions, new street side commercial development, central off-street parking area, addition of trees. First phase would create new street access from Broad and central parking area. Phase 2 would be to complete grading and trail development along greenway. Phase 3 would be changes to street from Broad, to Mill, to South Main. Widening sidewalks, adding curb extensions, raised platform, adding on-street parking, removing bicycle lanes. Jeremiah's comments are regarding the need for the trail to be 10'-12' wide rather than 8'. Project adds on-street parking to help calm traffic. There was concern that the bicyclist might not have as good a route coming from Auburn to Peace Bridge. Chrissy raised concerns for creating more off-street parking in the center, which doesn't seem to be inviting to outdoor pedestrian activity. Doug said its better because its set back behind buildings and it is still a reduction in parking spaces relative to what would typically be required for new development. Want to keep as much vegetation as possible along riverside.

Council Presentation – There was some division on the idea of creating a Complete Streets Ordinance, but it may still be worth pursuing. We can see how Auburn responds. ATRC seems to be better for getting administrative staff support. Lewiston Council was open to either committee, some preference for ATRC because of staff support and possible involvement from Sabattus and Lisbon on trails.

Motion by Chrissy to adjourn, seconded by Bob. Motion passed (5-0).