

Complete Streets Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: 6pm, Wednesday, 2/28/2018

Location: Auburn Hall

Committee Members Present: Craig Saddlemire, Chair (Lewiston), Jeremiah Bartlett, Vice Chair (Auburn), Dana Staples (Auburn), David Das (Auburn), Chrissy Adamowicz, Secretary (Lewiston), Bob Rand (Lewiston), Jim Lysen (Lewiston), Chris Beam (Lewiston)

Staff Present: Kris Bennett, Ryan Barnes, Doug Greene

Guests: Sadie Palmatier, Matt Reback, Ben Berger, Paul Jacques

Minutes

- 1) Introductions and Updates
 - a. Bob- Met with a Bates student to discuss a thesis topic around Complete Streets.
 - b. Kris-Will look at the sidewalk conditions around Washburn Elementary School. The Complete Streets Committee is encouraged to provide input to ATRC for the Court St. Study.

- 2) Bates Guests- There are Environmental Studies Students researching viability of a bike share in Lewiston. They have conducted some outreach to 10 local businesses and three bike share companies. People have said that a barrier to bicycling in the community is access to bicycles and storage. Out of the bike share companies, the students liked Gotcha because they provide many support services such as finding sponsorship, maintenance, and offer a cash option. Lewiston Public Library would be able to take cash from residents and load it onto a card that can be used to borrow a bike. This would allow residents without a credit card, access to the bicycles. The students have plans to survey more community members, talk with Lewiston Public Works and the Economic Development Department. The students are also looking into what short term and long term funding will be.

- 3) New Auburn Village-Doug Greene , the Urban Development Coordinator of Auburn provided the Committee an update on the New Auburn Village project. The City of Auburn is preparing to raise the shoreline land above the 100 year flood line in March. One building has been demolished and the City is preparing to demolish a second building. The social club is looking for a developer as an alternative to demolition. Riverway Street is expected to be completed in 2019. Riverway Street will contain traffic calming measures and could be closed to traffic for fairs and festivals. There will be a greenway trail that connects to the Barker Mill Trail and the Peace Bridge. A curve will be added at the Peace Bridge portion of the trail to create a safe path up and down the steep grade that exists at that intersection. The green space that will be created as a result of this project will contain a playground and a sculpture that highlights the bells from the St. Louis Church. Overall the project is subject to form based codes and flexible mixed use development will be encouraged.

- 4) Seventh Street- Kris provided the group a one pager on this project. The street will have two 10' lanes and contain sidewalks with esplanades and bioswales. There will not be bicycle facilities. New sidewalks will be added in the section between Mary Carroll Street and Boone Street. The project will contain ADA upgrades. There is a Bid Alternate included for South Main to Broad Street. This section would have sidewalks with esplanades and sharrows.
- 5) Rodman Road-There will be a shim and overlay between Washington Street and Hotel Road. The existing two 11 foot lanes with two foot shoulders will be re-laid. The road could be made into two 10 foot lanes with three foot shoulders but the Committee did not have a preference for this as the road is not used much by cyclists, and is a major truck route. The existing layout conserves road paint.
- 6) **MOTION** to accept the minutes by Jeremiah, Bob seconds. Motion passed (6-0).
- 7) Peace Bridge (Lewiston): Bike/Ped facilities will be installed in 2019. There will be two bike lanes, each five feet wide. There is a buffer planned, but it is unclear if it will be painted on the road or will be colored asphalt. The plan includes a landscaped "gateway" island, hi-vis crosswalks and embedded LED crossing signals.
- 8) **MOTION** to adjourn by Craig, second by Jim. Motion passed (6-0).