

PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 14th, 2016
5:30 p.m. in the Old City Hall Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 5:42pm, by Chris Bosley.

1. ROLL CALL

X Chris Bosley	X John Bruning
X Tessa Jilot	_ Kim Golden
X Russ Hersrud	X Amy Lawson
X Bev Moss	X Mike Fuller (waiting council approval)
X John Meech	X Tom Morgan (waiting council approval)
_ VACANT	X Tim Teyler
X Amy Evans	X Mac Cavasar
_ VACANT	X Denise Jeska (waiting council approval)

9 members current – 12 pending council approval **Quorum = 5**

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST None

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS Chris Delorto spoke about 3rd street. He asked if bulb outs had been considered. He was interested in the Seltice Way project and asked if anyone considered putting a bike lane in the median.

Mac asked Chris Delorto his opinion on the speed limit on 3rd and he responded 25 or 30.

Chris Bosley said bulbs out haven't been considered because there had been no street improvements but it's a good idea

He also spoke about a shared use path in the median on Seltice. He said they tried to engineer it in during the beginning stages of the project but there were some difficulties they couldn't reconcile.

Amy said there will be a public meeting on the Seltice Corridor on September 28th from 5:50 to 7:30 at the Frontier Ice Arena.

Chief Lee and Sgt Terrell came to the committee to check in with the committee and see if the committee had any questions for them

4. STAFF REPORT

Chris spoke about the Rectangular Rapid Flashing beacons that was installed on 7th and Birch and he mentioned that another was coming on .

He mentioned that the city was having another workshop on PSA's on a date yet to be decided.

Walk to School Day will be ran this year by Amy Evans and Amy Lawson in October

He spoke about the accessible launch being built next spring at the 10th street entrance of Tubbs Hill and the Tom McTevia memorial

There will be 2 new artistic bike racks will be added at the library and the call to artists will be announced.

Chris stated that in our Bike Friendly Status pursuit and our goal of getting to gold. He is asking for direction and feedback about our progress and to put it in perspective he mentioned Boulder Colorado that is a platinum level community has many, many problems and many of the things we have they don't have. He thanked everyone for their hard work and support.

5. APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES

August: Approve Minutes. Motion: by Tessa ; 2nd by Tim . Unanimous approval.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Agency Liaisons

Russ heard back from Idaho Walk Bike Alliance and they said they have decided not to add any more board positions at this time.

John Bruning and Bev went to Sandpoint to look at their arboretum because the Open Space Committee wants to put one in Veterans Centennial Park. Monte recommended they check out Moscow for its arboretum. Bev asked what kind of access there will be and Monte said there is a proposed trail all around the park from the proposed parking lot.

Mac spoke about the work KCAT does and he mentioned that they don't oversee bike plans. We are responsible for those and they need to be vetted locally before being brought to them.

Spokane Street in Post Falls is putting in 11 foot traffic lanes and 5 1/2 foot bike lanes.

- Blackwell Island Monte explained that the Blackwell Island annexation is going to council on September 20th. He thought ped/bike issues could be address at development but he was informed that the PUD had already been approved. Mike Fuller mentioned that this issue should have been brought to the committee 2 or 3 months ago.

Motion made by Mac Cavasar and seconded by John Bruning to advise city council to make a condition of annexation and PUD that a ped/bike facility be built that fits within the future development, preferably a paved trail with access to the water that loops around the island. Bike parking should be present and the committee should review of the plans at the time of development. The 2016 Draft Trails and Bikeways Master Plan specifies a trail on the Island. **Motion Passed**

Tom Morgan asked if these kinds of things happen a lot. He clarified and asked if major plans are held back from pertinent committees on a regular basis. He asked how to change the culture to where these things don't happen in the future.

- **Walk to School Day** Amy Lawson is going to organize walk to school day on October 5th. Monte is going to send her materials for planning it.
- **Crosswalk Striping 15th Street** Tom Morgan talked about the Boys and Girls Club and how there is no cross walk to the front of the building. Tom mentioned many near pedestrian/car crashes. Denise said people don't stop for peds in crosswalks on 15th and that parents driving kids to school are the worst offenders. Tom wants some kind of high visibility alert system and more enforcement.

Mike Fuller mentioned the cross walk sign in the roadways and how the one on 7th and Foster was never replaced after winter. It is a vital crossing and needs to have the sign back.

Sergeant Terrell said the police does targeted enforcement on 15th street quite often and he said there is a speeding problem there.

Mac asked if the City engineering department ever met with the boys and girls club and suggested that happen.

A motion was made by Russ and seconded by Bev to add a high visibility crosswalk at the Boys and Girls club with in pavement signage. **Motion passed.**

- **Parking Issues**

Tessa and Chris talked about cars parking too close to intersections. 15th and Young is an especially bad place. There have also been complaints on 3rd street. Mac said the city stopped painting the 30 foot no parking zone on curbs and now people are parking there making visibility terrible and accidents more likely. Chris suggested a 3 point approach; we look at areas that are really bad and recommend to the street department that select areas be painted; a PSA that would educate the public should be created; ask the police to start looking at those areas for enforcement. Chris asked Chief Lee if that is high on the radar for PD and he responded that code enforcement would handle those on a complaint driven basis. Tessa is going to compile a list and send it to Mac.

- **Complete Streets Policy** Chris said that Russ has volunteered to work on strengthening our Complete Streets Policy into an ordinance. Russ said it could stop projects from going in without committee input and mentioned many other benefits. Russ is going to start writing it and will bring it to the committee by next month.
- **Bike Registration** Chris spoke about a volunteer registration program. Many cities do this and could help the police track the thefts. Chief Lee said he had these programs in the city he formerly worked for. He said the program did not reduce theft but it gave the police a way to prosecute when a suspected thief was pulled over. He said volunteers at the department could put bike names and registration into a computer program. Monte mentioned a social media campaign and Tom mentioned a PSA. Monte and Tom will get together and start the program. Lee said it needs to be a commitment and not let go. Monte asked if having IT set up a registration page on the PD website would work with a social media campaign pushing the website once it's finished and the Chief said yes.

7. PROJECT UPDATES

- **Pedestrian Friendly Sign** Monte said the sign is ready and just needs to go to City Council. He asked if anyone from the Committee wanted to take it to City Council. Bev asked how to get it to council. Monte is going to get it on the General Services agenda once he talks to Bill Greenwood and Renata.
- **Bikeshare - Sponsors** Monte said he is presenting to the Trail Foundation tomorrow and how the going is slow.

8. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Bicycle Friendly Community** Is under review by the League
- **Walk Friendly Community** CHRIS BOSLEY IS GOING SET A MEETING to start working on this application. It is due in October.
- **Design Review/Infrastructure** Mac spoke about the Community Mobility Team that was assembled to come up with ideas for the Seltice Corridor. The corridor has entered the conceptual stage and now is the time for comment. He recommends the committee attend the open house on September 28th at the Frontier Ice Arena from 5:30 to 7:30 and then meet on October 5th to come up with a recommendation for ped/bike facilities. They will present bike facilities in the design, speed limits, and intersection design.
- **Education** They are meeting next week
- **Bikeways Master Plan** Monte explained that the plan is only 2 items away from being finished. One of those is a recommendation to keep a budget in place to build sidewalks in areas that don't have them. Jon said schools should take priority.

9. ROUND TABLE

Chris Bosley Pass

Tessa Jilot Pass

Bev Moss came by and got more Art in Motion brochure. Bev will make sure that the sponsors get more brochures and a thank you

Monte McCully Pass

Amy Evans There is an event this weekend highlighting East Sherman and what it could look like. "PARKing IT" will be on Sherman from 12th to 13th on Friday 4 to 9 and Saturday 12 to 9. There will be a beer garden, food trucks, lawn games, a band, and a movie. The street will be temporarily redesigned to show what the street will look like.

John Bruning The bridge at state-line is almost done. It looks nice.

Kim Golden

Amy Lawson The new boys and girls club is a really cool place. Adults aren't allowed....kids only. Amy needs a new name tag! Amy Hofer will be her new name.

Mike Fuller said Welch-comer should talk to the business and property owners about future meetings. Mac said they did but he will remind them.

Tom Morgan Pass

Russ Hersrud Wants to know how Welch-comers is going to inform the public that a meeting on Seltice is coming. He asked the committee to email him any input on the complete streets ordinance.

John Meech John asked about being included in the next education sub-committee meeting.

Tim Teyler Pass

Mac Cavasar Pass

Denise Jeska Pass

Tim moved to adjourn 7:26 pm – Motion: Bev 2nd

10. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Weds. October 12th, 2016 @ 5:30pm Old Council Chambers