

PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 12, 2018
5:30 p.m. at City Hall

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

1. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tessa Jilot, Chair-Walking Community
John Bruning-NICTF
Denise Jeska-Physically Challenged
Ronan Malaghan-Student
Kim Golden-General Public
Mike Fuller-General Public
Amy Evans-City Council Liaison (*late arrival*)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tim Teyler-Water Access Community
Tom Morgan, Vice Chair-Bicycling Community
Jamie Morgan-General Public
Russ Hersrud-General Public
Mark Puddy-Landscape Architect
Amy Hofer-SD 271
Mac Cavasar-Running Community

STAFF PRESENT:

Monte McCully, Staff Liaison
Melissa Brandt, Transcriptionist

GUEST: Michael Hoffman

Seven members present, resulting in an official quorum.

2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES

Kim Golden made a motion to approve the July 11, 2018, Minutes. Mike Fuller seconded the motion, there being no discussion and all being in favor, motion passed.

5. STAFF REPORT

Monte: Chris Bosley is attending an Atlas Public Meeting this evening and prepared the following report: the Complete Streets ordinance and checklist were approved by City Council; advanced yield markings the shark's teeth on 4th Street and Ironwood have been upsized for better visibility and replaced with Thermoplastic for better durability; would love for the ped/bike committee to create a PSA to educate drivers on what the shark's teeth mean and how to use them; Standard Drawings have been updated, these are the standard construction details that are used in projects within Coeur d'Alene. The updates include several new drawings including bike lanes, both standard and buffered, shared lane markings called sharrows, crosswalks, and sidewalk deviations showing how to construct a sidewalk around an existing street tree without removing it; Ironwood Ave was chip sealed this year, although there was some spillover of chips into the bike lanes, the majority of the bike lanes were not chip sealed; and, the bike lanes are now 5' wide from Northwest Boulevard to Government Way; the centerline of 15th Street was removed and relocated between Thomas Lane and Margaret Ave to make room for a southbound bike lane, completing this long-awaited connectivity; Seltice Way paving and striping is complete, landscaping is underway. The new improvements include 5' bike lanes with 2' buffers, two 12' wide shared-use paths, and 5 transit shelters; Government Way will be complete in October and will include 5' bike lanes with 2' buffers.

Tessa offered to produce the PSA, if Chris would please write the script.

Monte: Seal-Coating of the Centennial Trail has pretty much wrapped up, will be meeting with contractor to make sure all seal coating, striping, and bike symbols are complete. John mentioned he thought they missed a squiggle line at River Street. The contractor did not put bike symbols on the streets the street department will do those. The Skatepark is coming along trenching has taken place this past week for irrigation and power. Landscaping will be completed soon. Northshire Central Bark dog park will be moved from one side to another. Grace Bible Church is going to use the property they have loaned the City for a number of years. Discussion regarding PSAs for all the things people should look for; orange flags, street markings, roundabouts for pedestrians and bikes, and rapid flashing beacons. The pump track presentation was given at a city council meeting. Work has begun, dirt being hauled, there is a tentative work party scheduled for October 13. Volunteers are welcome. Heavy equipment will be on hand to help shape the elements.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

o Membership Application-Michael Hoffman

Mike Fuller made a motion to approve Michael Hoffman's application for retired community membership position on the committee. Ronan Malaghan seconded the motion, there being no discussion and all being in favor, motion passed.

Recommendation for membership will be forwarded to the Mayor.

o Code Enforcement Priorities

- o Tessa reminded everyone that Tim Teyler mentioned a COPS (Citizens On Patrol) meeting he attended where they were told not to ticket cars that were parking across sidewalks, blocking pedestrian traffic. ***ACTION: Monte said he received an email from Tim that he will forward to the committee that clarifies this issue.***

o Downtown Movability

- o Denise has completed the summer newsletter; it didn't get out to Terry Cooper in time. May need to convene summer information, and move on to fall and winter issues. The same format can be used for snow removal on sidewalks and approaches. Education subcommittee to reconvene and get a fall/winter newsletter prepared. Denise also mentioned the 3rd and Sherman pedestrian light, when you are crossing to Mrs. Honey Peeps, is too short, she's seen pedestrians nearly hit. Tessa stated that you can report a problem on the city's website. Maybe an alert to the police department to monitor that area for issues, or maybe have the traffic set to allow pedestrians to walk.

o Atlas Mill Site

- o Currently the concept shows trails, open space, and parks along the entire waterfront. Information was presented at the planning commission meeting, the video can be found on the city's website. The City's website is the best place to find current, accurate information.

7. PROJECT UPDATES

o Bike Park

- Monte: Right now the focus is on the pump track; then work will start on the skills elements and move to the south side for the flow section. Hopefully the pump track will be started by this fall and all completed by spring.

8. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Walk Friendly Community
 1. Mike, Tessa, Monte, Denise
Have not met.
- Design Review/Infrastructure
 1. Mac, Russ, John, Tim, Chris
Have not met.
- Education
 1. Kim, Amy Hofer, Tessa, Mike, Tom, Jamie
Have not met, will meet in October.
- Bikeways Master Plan
 1. Monte, Chris
No update at this time.

9. ROUND TABLE

Tessa – Inquired about crosswalks that are different colors and the bump-outs on East Sherman. Amy shared that this is a pilot project to demonstrate what could happen to make it more pedestrian and bike friendly, with wider sidewalks, focus to the intersection, a parklet and diagonal parking. This pilot project will be there for a while to gather feedback and will also be highlighted at Parking It on Sherman, September 21. ***Amy will follow up with the committee on how feedback will be received.***

Kim – Spoke with Bev Moss. The Art in Motion brochures are printed and the two have been combined into one. The Arts Commission will help distribute them. If you would like to help distribute the brochures, Amy Ferguson has a list of where they can be distributed.

Mike – Attending a meeting, tomorrow night at 6:30 pm, an open house of the Spokane Regional Transit Council. Nationally recognized planners will be presenting. Tessa asked Mike to be sure this gets added to next months' agenda to share information from the meeting.

Denise – Dog park accessibility at McEuen is really bad, there is a 5-6 inch drop, no wheelchair can get in there. ***Monte said he would pass that information on and see about getting the level brought up.***

Amy – A traffic study is being presented at the Atlas Mill Site meeting tonight and discussions also about Riverstone traffic.

John – The Foundation has taken on an economic impact study of the trail. The information is being gathered and put together by University of Idaho Professor Steve Peterson. Foundation Board members have been gathering data through 222 interviews of trail users at Riverstone and Silver Beach areas. Some of the questions include: How often do you use

the trail? 58% said more than once a week; how much was the trail a decision to move into or stay in Kootenai County; 56% said it had a lot to do with their decision; how much did you spend today? 60% said \$40 or more; if no there was no trail, how far would you travel to bike? 21% said 60 miles or more. Some comments captured show that the trail is held in high regard, many don't want any changes, thirteen respondents oppose any rerouting of the trail, would like the Atlas trail by the water, and 7 purposely purchased a home near the trail. A suggestion of PSA or Trail Etiquette Signs telling people about passing, dogs, etc., would be very helpful. The economic impact study should be complete in October or November. There is still an opportunity to participate in the survey through a Survey Monkey. ***John will send the link to forward on to the committee members.***

Amy Evans moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John Bruning, and all being in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

10. NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

- **Wednesday, October 10, 2018, 5:30 pm at City Hall.**