# PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES City Hall 4:00 PM May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 4:04 pm, by Denise Jeska.

#### 1. ROLL CALL

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Denise Jeska-Chair Disabled Community
Mike Fuller-Vice Chair General Public.
John Bruning-NICT
Brant Souvenir-General Publc
Bill Irving-Environmental Community
David Passaro-Bicycling Community
Mike Wood-North Idaho College
Henry DePew-Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Amy Evans, City Council Liaison Tom Morgan-Bicycling Community Greyson Storey-Alternate Student Representative Mike Light-Landscape Architect

STAFF PRESENT:

Monte McCully, Staff Liaison Mike Kempton, Parks and Recreation PUBLIC ATTENDING:

Eight members present resulting in a quorum.

#### 2. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES – Action Item

Mike Wood made a motion to approve the March 2023, minutes, John Brunning seconded the motion, there being no further discussion and all being in favor, motion passed.

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

# 5. STAFF REPORT

Monte McCully reported that the proposal to extend the Prairie Trail will be put out to bid the following day, May 4<sup>th</sup> and work is expected to start on this project within two weeks from the date a contract is awarded. He also added that the project to replace the Kathleen Trail between Atlas Road and Woodland Middle Scholl has been completed. Monte spoke about a recent bicycle tour of the Centennial Trail that he led that was attended by approximately twenty extension educators from the University of Idaho as part of their community development program.

#### 6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### Sidewalk Mapping

Monte explained that there is still some field work that needs to be done to complete the sidewalk mapping project, specifically identifying crosswalks without pedestrian ramps for accessibility purposes.

#### Critical Corridors for Sidewalks

David Passaro recommended that the committee work with the city's Planning department on identifying and promoting critical corridors for sidewalks and also reported that during recent conversations that the Coeur d'Alene Police Department asked to be able to give input on this project. Bill Irving asked if the Critical Corridors would be covered by the Complete Streets policy. Monte explained that the policy was targeted at total road rebuilds and didn't apply to private projects along the right of ways.

#### Bike to Work Week

David Passaro gave a detailed presentation of the plans for the event. He spoke about the presentation that was given to City Council and the proclamation that they (the council) gave in support of Bike to Work Week. He related the various organized rides planned throughout the month including an unofficial Moonlight Ride, a Bike Collective Ride, a Mother's Day Ride, a Firehouse Ride along with a full calendar of events. Dayid spoke about the kickoff event on Monday, May 15th which will be a free breakfast for bicyclist hosted by the Coeur d'Alene Resort at their greenspace on the corner of Sherman Avenue and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. He also explained the celebration party for the end of the week that will be held at Taphouse Unchained on Friday, May 19th and which will include an extensive list of raffle prizes. Denise Jeska asked members to follow the committee's Facebook Page as that is where much of the information is posted to support the event including a calendar of events and forms to order tee-shirts specially made for the event. David added that seventy-eight shirts had been ordered and that so far 20 have been presold and that the cost to buy them is \$20. He also updated the committee on the Energizer Stations that will be setup by participating organizations including Starbucks, Lakeshore Reality and the University of Idaho. Bill Irving asked if it would be possible to post educational signs at the stations and it was agreed that as long as the organization sponsoring the station supported it, that we would do so. Mike Wood spoke about the Blessing of the Bikes at the First Presbyterian Church on the corner of Lakeside Avenue and 6th Street.

# 7. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS – Information Items

Awareness/Advocacy/Education:
 No update. Sub-committee members shared that they were focusing their efforts Bike to Work Week.

- Infrastructure: No update.
- Bike and Walk Week:
   The update was shared during the discussion items.
- Bikeways: No update.

# 8. ROUND TABLE – Information Items:

John Brunning told the committee that the economic impact study for the North Idaho Centennial Trail has been completed and is under review. He also expressed his concern about the stop sign at Mullan Street and 11<sup>th</sup> Street being ignored by drivers. David Passaro asked for the contact information for the new Coeur d'Alene Police Department liaison to the committee. Mike Wood related that the crosswalk signal at Hubbard and Northwest Boulevard has been replaced and is now working reliably. He also passed on concerns about a commuter riding a high-speed electric motor bike on the Centennial Trail on a daily basis. Mike Fuller passed on information an about a couple of code enforcement issues on the Centennial Trail along Mullan Street that included vehicles parked in the bike lane and a basketball goal set up in the same. Denise spoke about her recent visit to the Disability Action Center in Post Falls.

# 9. NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 PM, City Hall Conference Room 6.

Mike Fuller made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Bill Irving seconded the motion, there being no further discussion and all being in favor, the meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.