

Ypsilanti Non-Motorized Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – August 1, 2013

1. Call to order – The meeting was brought to order at 7:05pm, Thursday, August 1, 2013 at the Ypsilanti District Library, 229 West Michigan Avenue, Ypsilanti. Committee members present were Kevin Hill, Bob Krzewinski and Laura Shiltz. Also present was City Council member Pete Murdock and Bob Eccles of WEMU radio. .
2. Introductions
 - a. Audience participation/public input – None at beginning of meeting.
3. General business
 - a. Agenda approval - A motion was made by Bob Krzewinski, seconded by Laura Shiltz, to accept the August agenda, with no objections.
 - b. Approval of June meeting minutes - A motion was made by Bob Krzewinski, seconded by Laura Shiltz, to accept the June meeting minutes (there was no July meeting), with no objections
 - c. Other – None.
4. Old business
 - a. 2013 Committee priorities
 - Sidewalk completion/improvements – Volunteers are still needed to confirm the preliminary sidewalk map the City Planning Department has created to confirm sidewalk gaps and deficiencies.
 - Downtown bike routes-signage-maps – In the autumn work is expected to begin with the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission to improve and expand the eastern Washtenaw County Border To Border Trail map with more emphasis on recommended bicycle routes in Ypsilanti.
 - Additional bike parking hoop locations & bike corrals – The Downtown Development Authority is continuing to make concrete progress on additional bicycle racks in the City including funding for such racks.
 - Border To Border Trail Ypsilanti completion – The new Trail bridge from Riverside Park to Michigan Avenue is still in the design stage with preliminary construction still hoped for the fall of 2013 with completion in 2014.
 - Bike Friendly Community application – No new update.
 - b. Hamilton/Michigan pedestrian crossing – No new update.
 - c. Ypsi bike-friendly businesses – Bob Krzewinski and Kevin Hill working together on this with the emphasis on not only making businesses more bike-friendly for customers, but also encouraging business employees to bicycle to work.
5. New Business
 - a. Planning Department update – A Planning Department summer intern has completed and submitted an application for Ypsilanti to become a “Walk Friendly Community” (<http://www.walkfriendly.org>).
 - b. EMU/City/WCP&RC July meeting - Bob Krzewinski gave a report on a meeting between the Eastern Michigan University, City of Ypsilanti and the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission on non-motorized improvements to the University campus and Border To Border Trail, including increased Trail signage.
 - c. Additional bike lane locations – Bob Krzewinski has started a list with many suggestions coming from the Non-Motorized Committee Facebook page.
 - d. Other – Bob Krzewinski will look into a bicycling/walking information table in September at the Eastern Michigan University Student Center. Also, Bike Ypsi will have valet bicycle parking at the Ypsilanti Heritage Festival.
6. Other Items – Announcements – None.
7. Adjournment - A motion was made by Kevin Hill, seconded by Bob Krzewinski to adjourn the meeting, with no objections. The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.

