

Ypsilanti Non-Motorized Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes February 2013

- 7pm 2/7/13 Ypsilanti District Library - Michigan Ave
- Call to order at 7:10pm
- Board Members Present: Cheryl Weber (chairing meeting), Kevin Hill, Richard Murphy, Adam Gainsley
- Others Present: Andrew H - DDA, Steve H
- Audience Participation
 - Steve H brought up several topics including Parking across sidewalk, parking in bike lane, and snow removal issues. Has contacted city and general gotten no action.
 - Snow removal
 - Overall lack of enforcement
 - Pete pointed out that the ordinance allows too much time. Snow is often melted or has fallen again in time frame allowed (48 hours)
 - The city is looking to reduce the time of enforcement from 48 to 24 hours - won't happen this season though.
 - Can report violations on city website: <http://www.cityofypsilanti.com/ActionRequestCenter>
 - Also, in general, good to know who among your neighbors might not be able to clear their own snow and help find volunteers. Neighborhood associations are a good tool for this.
- General Business
 - Approve Agenda - Murph so moves, Adam seconds
 - Approve Minutes - No one had them on hand, deferred approval to March meeting.
 - Other
 - NMAC by-laws were approved by Planning Commission at January meeting
- Ongoing Business
 - Grove Road
 - Will be a complete street
 - Construction will begin in 2013
 - Will close some sidewalk gaps
 - Planning and City staff looking at options for better laying out pedestrian crossings and bus stops
 - Downtown Route map and signage
 - Adam working on this, hasn't made much progress recently but will renew efforts presently
 - Bike Parking/Hoops
 - Bob working on letter to DDA requesting funds
 - Kevin mentioned that DDA has discussed this and it looks like there will be funding available in the next fiscal year beginning 7/1/13. It will be included in the 'Street Furniture' line item.
 - Bike Parking plaza in Depot town
 - Location needs to be reviewed - currently at risk of being run into by cars. Options include moving it or fencing it in. Adam pointed out that given how frequently cars hit buildings in Ypsi maybe relying on a fence is not a good idea.
 - NMAC website update
 - Looks like minutes and agendas are up to date through January as well as members' terms.
 - By laws appear not to be up to date
 - Is anything else supposed to be up?
 - Huron and Hamilton Road diets
 - No motion on this
 - City needs to have meetings with MDOT
 - issues include: lane striping, signage, traffic light timing, bump outs, meters
 - Bike Friendly Community application
 - Adam working on this again/still
 - Application is approximately 20% complete - will take around 25 hours of work to complete.
 - Much of the effort will be tracking down the information and/or people who know the required info.
 - Ramone to help?
 - Library Programs
 - Basic Bike talk scheduled for BBW week in May
 - NMAC will have a display in the library that week
 - Bob working on list of books for library to purchase
 - Cheryl will get AATA passes to hand out during BBW week
 - Annual Report
 - Circulated among committee and planning commission.
 - Once approved it will be posted to website
- New Business

- Bob received a planning commission update from Teresa Gilloti which is incorporated into these notes
 - 2013 Priorities
 - Should pick 6 by end of March meeting. Please review and discuss.
 - Snow removal (discussed during public input section)
- Other
 - Pete mentioned that Mr Fisher is not going to donate land for easement for Michigan Ave crossing at Riverside. Wants money and too much of it. Still to be seen how this will affect plans.
 - Murph will be reaching out to people regarding People For Transit.
- Next Meeting 7pm 3/7/13 YDL Michigan Ave Downstairs
- Adjourn 8:05pm - Adam so moves, Murph seconds