

May 2012 Ypsilanti Non-Motorized Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order - The meeting was brought to order at 7:05pm, May 3, 2012 at the Ypsilanti District Library, 229 West Michigan Avenue, downtown Ypsilanti. Committee members in attendance were Adam Gainsley, Kevin Hill and Bob Krzewinski.
2. Introductions
 - a. Audience participation – Guests at the meeting gave brief comments to the Committee.
3. General business
 - a. Agenda approval – Motion by Gainsley, second by Krzewinski, to accept the agenda and approved unanimously.
 - b. Approval of April meeting minutes - Motion by Gainsley, second by Krzewinski, to accept the April meeting minutes and approved unanimously.
 - c. Committee communications received – Adam Gainsley discussed programs by a grass-roots Grand Rapids bicycle advocacy group that could possibly be of use in Ypsilanti.
 - d. July meeting – Whether to meet in July will be decided at the June meeting.
4. Old business
 - a. Complete Streets improvements update - No new updates. West Cross Street non-motorized improvements expected to begin in the summer.
 - b. Downtown bike routes-signage-maps – Adam Gainsley will work with Jake Albers of the Ypsilanti Downtown Development Authority, who has experience in map-making, for a Ypsilanti specific bicycling map.
 - c. Additional bike parking hoop locations – On the morning of May 10th, Adam Gainsley and Bob Krzewinski will do a field trip with Teresa Gillottii of the City Planning Department to possible additional bike parking hoop locations in Depot Town and downtown.
 - d. City Non-Motorized web page – A dedicated new City Non-Motorized Committee web page is now up with content to be added by Bob Krzewinski. Also the site will be made easier to find by the City Planning Department staff.
 - e. 2012 Non-Motorized Committee Priorities – Adam Gainsley is continuing work on the League of American Bicyclists “Bike Friendly Community” application. At the annual Bike Ypsi Spring Ride May 6th, the Non-Motorized Committee will have a display table and will gather input on suggestions for bicycle/walking improvements to the City.
 - f. Bike-Bus-Walk Week (Bike To Work Week) – May 13-19 – Flyers were distributed on the week’s events which are also posted on the Bike-Bus-Walk Ypsi website at www.bbwypsi.org.
 - g. Mix market involvement – The Committee has been invited to drop off non-motorized information at the market.
5. New Business
 - a. Planning Department update – Bob Krzewinski gave an update on subjects he recently talked over with the City Planning Department that are non-motorized related. These included non-motorized improvements to the Huron Street/I-94 overpass (possible work in 2015-16), the Grove Road/I-94 overpass (possible work in 2013), sidewalk improvements and public information.
 - b. The Adventure Cycling Association supplied a map of their new Underground Railroad bike tour route that goes through Ypsilanti. The Non-Motorized Committee will work on press releases to the local media informing the public of this route.
6. Major project working groups
 - a. Complete Streets subcommittee – No new updates.
 - b. Sidewalks subcommittee – City Planning Department is asking the Non-Motorized Committee to confirm sidewalk gaps on a City sidewalk map.
 - c. Non-motorized projects list subcommittee
 - Border To Border Trail completion – Adam Gainsley and Bob Krzewinski will meet with Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission staff on May 4th at a “Friends Of The Border To Border Trail” meeting to discuss Border To Border Trail issues, including those that relate to Ypsilanti.
 - I-94 non-motorized crossings (Grove Road, Huron Street) – Covered in item 5(a) above.
7. Other items – None.
8. Adjournment – Next meeting Thursday, June 7, 2012, Ypsilanti District Library. A motion was made by Gainsley, seconded by Krzewinski, to adjourn the meeting, passing unanimously.

