

Ypsilanti Non-Motorized Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes July 2, 2015

1. Call to order – The meeting was brought to order at 7:07pm, July 2, 2015 at the Ypsilanti District Library, 229 West Michigan Avenue. Commission members attending were Martha Cleary, Kevin Hill, Bob Krzewinski and Sarah Walsh. Also attending were Lena Reeves and City Council member Pete Murdock.
2. Introductions
 - a. Audience participation/public input – None
3. General business
 - a. Agenda approval – A motion was made by Bob Krzewinski, seconded by Sara Walsh, to approve the agenda, passing unanimously.
 - b. Approval of June meeting minutes - A motion was made by Sara Walsh, seconded by Bob Krzewinski, to accept the June meeting minutes, passing unanimously.
 - c. New Committee members – New Committee members being solicited through regular communications.
4. Old business
 - a. 2015 Committee priorities
 - Ypsilanti bicycling/walking map – New bicycle maps are available at the Convention & Visitors Bureau in downtown Ypsilanti.
 - Border To Border Trail completion progress – With City Council approving the construction of new B2B sections from Riverside Park, south to Grove Road, it was also noted that funds allotted for the Trail to continue along Grove Road to I-94 had to be used and this section will have to be postponed. Committee members will also be informed of any groundbreaking ceremony for the new segment.
 - Update the City Non-Motorized Plan – Being coordinated by Planner Bonnie Wessler.
 - Sidewalk/pedestrian improvements and funding sources (sidewalks – signage) – Pete Murdock has been inquiring into new sidewalks at Edith Hefley and Candy Cane Parks. Bonnie Wessler and Pete Murdock are also following up on new pedestrian safety signage.
 - Work to add additional bike lanes and find funding sources – Pete Murdock is following this item for new bike lanes on Forest and West Cross as well as bike lanes/traffic calming on Miles.
 - Bike Friendly Business program – Merchant visits being done by Committee members.
 - Public education outreach to encourage bicycling and walking –There is the potential for the Committee to have a table at an upcoming 1st Friday Art Walk, a September Washtenaw Community College new student welcome day, as well as a children's triathlon at the Rutherford Pool, August 8th at 8:30am. Bicycling information will also be passed out at the August Heritage Festival valet bicycle parking on the Saturday and Sunday of the event.
 - Traffic Calming In Neighborhoods – City Council passed a speed control policy resolution on June 9th.
 - Walk Friendly & Bike Friendly Community Applications – Separate meetings are taking place on the Bike Friendly Community re-application with the next meeting being July 21st at the Program To Educate All Cyclists office on S. Washington Street at 10am. Copies of the Walk Friendly Community summary were also distributed.
 - Wayfinding signage – Area walking activists have been erecting area walking wayfinding signs.
 - b. I-94/Huron – Huron/Hamilton non-motorized improvements – No update other than MDOT is planning for a 2017 project.
 - c. Ypsilanti AAATA Transit Center non-motorized improvements – AAATA will hold a public input meeting on July 7th at 6pm with Bob Krzewinski attending.
 - d. Mayors' Challenge for Safer People, Safer Streets – This will be on the City Council agenda for July 7th with Bob Krzewinski attending to offer support.
5. New Business
 - a. Planning Department update – Bob Krzewinski spoke with Bonnie Wessler prior to the meeting with her comments incorporated into the meeting session.

- b. NMAC at Parkridge Summer Fest (August 29) - The Committee will have an information table at the Parkridge Summer Festival from noon to 4pm.
- c. Other – The potential for protected bike lanes was discussed with any potential projects forwarded to Pete Murdock. Snow removal was also removal, especially problems with curb cuts and what problems they can be if not cleared for handicapped users. Related to snow removal was the idea of flyers (possibly in property tax bills) on the requirement to remove snow from sidewalks within 24 hours of a snowfall.

6. Other Items – Announcements – None

- 7. Adjournment – A motion was made by Bob Krzewinski, seconded by Sarah Walsh, to adjourn the meeting, passing unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32pm with the next meeting being Thursday, August 6, 2015.