

**CITY OF ALBANY  
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION  
City Hall, Periwinkle Room  
333 Broadalbin Street SW  
January 10, 2012  
12 Noon**

**MINUTES**

Commission Members Present: Kelly Albers, Chair; Bill Pintard; Juanita Eggers; Jim Lawrence

Commission Members Absent: Tim Siddiqui; Matthew Hasek; Terrance Virnig, Vice Chair

Staff Present: Jeff Woodward, P.E., Civil Engineer II; Ron Irish, Transportation Systems Analyst; Karen Williams, PW Project Coordinator

Others Present: Mark Siddall; Steve Snyder; Doug Robin and Donna Short

**CALL TO ORDER**

Albers called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Pintard made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2011, meeting. The motion was seconded by Lawrence, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

**EUROPEAN BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE**

Doug Robin and Donna Short from Sweet Home shared a picture presentation “The Good, the Bad, and the Beautiful” of their bicycle travels last summer through Europe. They traveled nearly 4,400 miles through Spain, France, Switzerland, Germany, Belgium and Iceland. The pictures they shared were more specifically about the types of bicycle infrastructure they encountered in their travels (i.e. bike paths, bike storage, bike racks, and airline, bus, and train accommodations), along with signage and several bicycle rental programs. Short described the many types of bike paths they rode on and commented on the difficulty of riding on the cobblestone paths. Short also mentioned there were vending machines for obtaining bicycle repair items when the shops were closed.

Short also shared a new magazine entitled “Cyclingmobility.”

The Commission expressed interest in having this presentation shown to Albany’s City Council.

**BIKE MAP UPDATE**

Pintard reported on the status of the bike map update, saying that Steve Barnett with Linn County has the changes almost complete with a goal of having it finished by April 2012. Pintard said that distribution of the maps is a problem and asked the Commission to think about ways to put it out for the public.

Lawrence suggested the bike map be mounted in a glass case at the train station, showing the back and front of the map. Albers suggested it be mounted on the outside wall of the train station.

**ACTION: Woodward will check into the possibility of have the map displayed at the train station.**

### **INTERSECTION ISSUES**

- Pintard asked Lawrence if he was successful in obtaining any more information on his accident. Lawrence said neither the ambulance nor police have a record of it.
- The intersection at Pacific Avenue and 34<sup>th</sup> Street, beside the YMCA, was discussed. The walk and turn signals aren't set to give the walker enough time to get across the street. Eggers added that it takes 4-5 seconds past the timing of the signal to make it across the road.

**ACTION: Woodward will report this problem to the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT).**

- The Commission also discussed having signs made to put on the back of current signs along roads with bike paths to let the riders or walkers know if they are walking or riding the wrong direction as was shown in the bicycle infrastructure presentation of bicycle signage in Europe.

**ACTION: The Commission will discuss this at a future meeting.**

### **COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS**

- Lawrence said a meeting is scheduled with representatives from the City, school district, and hospital in regards to the Bike Safety Program. It is being held at City Hall, Willamette Room, on Thursday, January 19, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. to discuss possible funding to continue the Program.
- Siddall said the Mid-Willamette Valley Regional Trails meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 14, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2012.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Lawrence moved to adjourn the meeting and Eggers seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen S. Williams  
Public Works Project Coordinator