

**CITY OF ALBANY
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION
City Hall, Periwinkle Room
333 Broadalbin SW
Tuesday, October 11, 2011
12 Noon**

MINUTES

Commission Members Present: Kelly Albers, Chair; Matthew Hasek; Bill Pintard; Juanita Eggers

Commission Members Absent: Terrance Virnig, Vice Chair; Tim Siddiqui; Jim Lawrence

Staff Present: Jeff Woodward, P.E., Civil Engineer II; Karen Williams, PW
Project Coordinator

Others Present: None

CALL TO ORDER

Albers called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

VETERANS DAY PARADE

Pintard reported he will be getting the flags, signs, and banner that were used in the parade last year, but will probably not have the bike trailers this year. Pintard also said City Manager Wes Hare will be riding with the Commission members, and he will be checking with the 5th graders from Oak & Lafayette who rode in the parade last year to see if they would like to do so again. Pintard added that due to new regulations, no candy can be tossed out along the parade route. Check in will at 9:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Eggers reported there will be ten or more Fitwalkers walking in the parade. She will check on the Fitwalkers' banner for them to carry, and will be sharing the parade information with the Silver Striders walking group to see if they would also like to participate.

RIVERSIDE DRIVE BIKE ROUTE

Pintard presented a letter signed by Ken Orwick, President, and himself as Vice President, of the Santiam Spokes, Inc. The letter was addressed to Linn County in favor of extending the bike path on Riverside Drive from Hwy. 34. Pintard suggested a similar letter be sent from the Commission. With a few suggested modifications to the letter, Albers will sign the letter.

BIKE MAP UPDATE

Woodward reported that we are down to the last box of the bicycle maps. Irish is putting together a list of the new bike paths constructed since it was last updated 3-1/2 years ago. Pintard said he would contact the County, who put together the original map.

Woodward said Albany Public Works paid for the printing of the maps last time, and as yet there is no commitment of funds for printing new maps. Hasek suggested the Chamber of Commerce may help with the cost. Pintard will check on advertising to help pay the cost of printing.

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INTERSECTION ISSUES

Pintard shared the September 20, 2011, newspaper article “Bike Advocate Recovering from Serious Accident” regarding Commission member Jim Lawrence’s accident. Woodward said Lawrence tried to find out what actually happened in regards to his accident, but no police report was filed since a motorized vehicle was not involved. Lawrence will be checking with 911 to see what information is available.

Albers said that because the accident occurred in the construction area, provisions for cyclist may not have been made by the contractor or ODOT, and perhaps Sheila Lyons with ODOT’s Pedestrian and Bicycle Program should be notified to check into it. Pintard added that construction signs were placed with part of the sign over the sidewalk/bike path making it nearly impossible to ride a bike through the area before the bridge. Hassek said he would not have been able to go through that area with his wheelchair.

COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS

The Commission members discussed Virnig’s final version of the memo to Council regarding the placement of the Bike Friendly City signs. Virnig was not in attendance and follow up will be done by e-mail.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

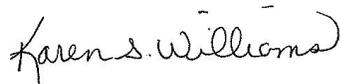
NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 8, 2011, at noon in the Periwinkle Room.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen S. Williams
Public Works Project Coordinator