



Approved: July 9, 2013

**CITY OF ALBANY
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION
City Hall, Periwinkle Room
333 Broadalbin Street SW
June 11, 2013
12 Noon**

MINUTES

Commission Members Present: Kelly Albers, Chair; Juanita Eggers; Bill Pintard; Jim Lawrence; Steve Pensinger; Terry Virnig

Commission Members Absent: Matthew Hasek – unexcused.

Staff Present: Ron Irish, Transportation Systems Analyst; Irene Mann, PW Executive Assistant

Others Present: Tarah Campi, Mark Siddall

CALL TO ORDER

Albers called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were corrected -- under Commissioners Comments, the “Mid Valley Bicycle Club” needed to be corrected to read the “Willamette Valley Scenic Bikeway”. With that change, the minutes of May 14, 2013, were approved 6 to 0.

HOW TO USE BIKE LOCKERS

Irish said he had asked Transit staff how to use the bike lockers, but had not received a response. Irish said he would follow up. Ideally, the information should be posted by the lockers; currently the process is not very efficient. Pintard suggested asking other cities (Corvallis, Eugene) how they use their lockers and post information on their use.

BIKE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

The Commission discussed several things. Portland has a platinum status (League of American Bicyclists) and is working to achieve diamond status. Virnig mentioned more law enforcement involvement would be needed to boost Albany’s bicycle status. Irish said he is working on getting sharrows installed on the streets. Irish also said he is preparing a draft for submission in the fall. The application for an upgraded status is due February 2014.

Pintard thought a newspaper article on sharrows would be good publicity.

Albers will reserve a table at the Albany Farmer’s Market in August. It was suggested a poster with a sharrow and an explanation would be informative.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Virnig won a \$600 gift certificate as part of the ‘Drive Less-Connect’ program.

Lawrence met with Jimmie Lucht to work on making Albany a bicycle destination. There was discussion on how to reach the bicycle community.

There was also discussion on who to contact to design a user-friendly web page.

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Virnig and Albers left at 1 p.m.

Lawrence discussed how to have a bicycle swap. He mentioned the one at Peak Sports the weekend of June 8-9.

Irish left at 1:07.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, July 9, 2013, at noon in the Periwinkle Room.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Mann
Public Works Executive Assistant