



CITY OF ALBANY
BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMISSION
City Hall, Periwinkle Room
333 Broadalbin Street SW
July 8, 2014
12 Noon

MINUTES

Commission Members Present: Juanita Eggers, Bill Pintard, Mark Siddall, Matthew Hasek, Jim Lawrence (arrived 12:30 p.m.)

Commission Members Absent: Steve Pensinger (excused), Terry Virnig (unexcused)

Staff Present: Ron Irish (Transportation Systems Analyst); Irene Mann (Executive Assistant to the Public Works Director)

Others Present: None

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of June 10, 2014, were approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

BIKE RIDE FOR KIDS UPDATE

Pintard reported that no one showed up for the Bike Ride. The Commission discussed reasons why—some thoughts were that although the flyer had the date correct, but the day incorrect, there could have been some confusion; and the Ride was scheduled after the end of the school year.

The Commission did not want to give up on the thought of doing it again next year. Some suggestions were to contact Izzy's for a reduced /free pizza lunch after the Bike Ride. Irish will contact Ed Hodney, (City of Albany Parks & Recreation Director) and see if the Cool Pool could open one day early for the riders—although there would need to be a sponsor of the Bike Ride to pay for a lifeguard at the pool. Another suggestion was to carefully look at the dates and other events that may be scheduled the same weekend.

It was decided to add the discussion to the next meeting agenda to schedule a date and plan the details.

BICYCLE ADVENTURE CLUB RIDE

Irish discussed the club that organizes domestic and international bike tours. Local ride director Roy Glickman had coordinated a Willamette Valley Ride on July 25, 2014, for 30 people.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Pintard described the Willamette Valley Scenic Bikeway, part of the Statewide Scenic Bikeway Tours. He also informed the Commission about the Santiam Calapooia Bikeway – a new bikeway 71 miles long going through Brownsville, Lebanon, and Sweet Home. He said there are 12 established bikeways and three more being organized. He also discussed 'bike friendly businesses' - businesses that provide bike friendly services and amenities. He added that it is all about promoting local tourism.

Lawrence gave a bike education update to the Commission. He said that all 13 schools participated in the program; they held 26 classes; and had ~780 students. He reported that ~25-30 children learned to ride bikes. He added that volunteers donated ~1,300 hours.

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Hasek informed the Commission that Motel 6 was not ADA accessible- there was a step that is difficult to maneuver.

OTHER BUSINESS

Irish provided an update on the Albany-Corvallis path and said the Hickory/Scenic portion was in the 2016-2018 STIP (Statewide Transportation Improvement Program). He said the Scenic to Independence portion of the path would likely be completed in the next 2-3 years.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 12, 2014, at noon in the Periwinkle Room.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Mann

Executive Assistant to the Public Works Director