

**ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 2015
MINUTES**

Present: Geoffrey Hines, Chairperson
Amy Hite, Vice Chairperson
Stacey Bacon
LouAnn Colyer
Dick Horton
Jeremy Johnson
Deborah McGeorge
Bill Beasley, Director of Public Works
Troy Graham, Assistant Director of Public Works
Kim Vogel, Director of Parks and Recreation
Andrea Holtzman, Administrative Assistant

The Active Transportation Advisory Board met on Tuesday, January 6, 2015. Chairperson, Geoffrey Hines called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

The first order of business was the approval of the Minutes for November 4, 2014. In this regard, Dick Horton moved, seconded by LouAnn Colyer to approve the minutes as submitted. This motion passed unanimously.

The second order of business was the discussion of any updates for the PedNet project. Kim Vogel shared that PedNet is still compiling data from meeting. She explained there has been some discussion about possibly connecting Pittsburg and Girard with a trail. LouAnn Colyer asked if the comments and concerns were considered from the meeting that was held in Pittsburg. It was believed these comments and concerns were taken into consideration but that it was a good idea to submit comments and concerns again on the website.

The third order of business was the review of the plans for the East West Connector Trail and status of the project. Bill Beasley brought plans for the East West Connector and explained the trails proposed route. He indicated that 80% of this trail is funded from a grant and 20% will be private matched. Once the easements are all signed this project will go to bid.

The fourth order of business was to review the selection process for the South Rouse Connector Trail and the status of the project. Mr. Beasley indicated Kim Vogel, Troy Graham, Matt Bacon and Commissioner Michael Gray all sat on a selection committee that reviewed proposals from engineering firms. Out of the engineering firms that were reviewed, TranSystems was selected to head this project. A proposal is being drawn up and Mr. Beasley believes the information gathering and survey work will begin this spring.

The fifth order of business was the discussion of the upcoming pavement markings project for South Joplin. Bill Beasley explained improvements will begin in the spring. He indicated the City is looking at providing a bike lane from Quincy to Washington.

The sixth order of business was the discussion of the upcoming LiveWell Finney County Summit. Troy Graham explained this is an upcoming event in Garden City on February 3rd, 2015. LiveWell is looking into paying for the members of the Active Transportation Advisory Board if they want to attend.

Under New Business the Board scheduled the next meeting for February 10th, 2015 to coincide with the online meeting of PedNet at noon. Minutes will not be taken for this meeting.

Also, under new business, Chairperson, Geoffrey Hines suggested having a work session where members can share the ideas of each quadrant to gain a vision of the group for the future. It was the group's decision to do this. No meeting was scheduled at this time.

Also under new business, Bill Beasley mentioned the renewal of the street sales tax will go on the ballot in the spring of 2015. This will be a continuation of what is already there and will not raising the tax more. He indicated that he was going to request that this issue should not sunset.

There being no further business, Vice Chairperson, Amy Hite moved, seconded by Deborah McGeorge to adjourn the meeting at 1:03 p.m. This motion passed unanimously.