

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2015

Members Present: **Stacie Bacon**
 Amy Hite
 Dick Horton
 Deborah McGeorge

Members Absent: **LouAnn Colyer**
 Geoffrey Hines
 John Robb

Others Present: **Andra Stefanoni**
 Cameron Alden, Director of Public Works
 Kim Vogel, Director of Parks and Recreation
 Andrea Holtzman, Administrative Assistant

Cameron Alden opened the meeting at 12:03 p.m. with four (4) members present.

The first order of business was the approval of the Minutes from August 11, 2015. There were a couple of spelling updates and LouAnn Colyer was missing from the list of members present. Dick Horton moved seconded by Deborah McGeorge to accept the minutes with these changes. This motion passed unanimously.

The second order of business was a brief discussion of a map containing the existing trails. Mr. Alden handed out a map and explained the legend. It was suggested to have future trails removed from the map to make it less confusing. Mr. Alden indicated he would have the map updated and put into a couple of different formats so the Board can choose which format they would prefer at the next meeting.

The third order of business was an update on the Pitsco-Sunflower Trail progress. Mr. Alden indicated the project is in the final stages. The extension was approved and has begun and should be completed by the end of the month. There will also be a small pocket park located at the northwest corner of with benches for citizens to use.

The fourth order of business was an update on the East/West Connector Trail Progress. Mr. Alden explained the start date for this project is September 8th and this is a 60 working day project.

The fifth order of business was an update on the list of Top 10 Safety Items for Students. Deborah McGeorge presented a list of safety items for pedestrians and bicyclists especially for international students at PSU. Deborah asked if this list should be incorporated into the map of existing trails. Kim Vogel suggested that a "preferred routes for bicyclists" be added to map of existing trails.

The sixth order of business was an update on the list of Long Range Plan Ideas from Geoffrey Hines. However, Mr. Hines was absent so this agenda item was tabled.

The seventh order of business was an update from Kim Vogel regarding helmet storage at Pittsburg Community Middle School (PCMS). Kim Vogel explained that she spoke with Mr. King, the Athletic Director at PCMS, and he had been unaware there were issues with insufficient space in student lockers. She indicated there were thoughts that most kids don't wear helmets. Mrs. Vogel suggested maybe coming up with incentives for students to wear helmets and mentioned Mr. King felt more bike racks would be helpful.

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The eighth order of business was an update on the Walking School Bus from Kim Vogel. Mrs. Vogel explained this event began today. She indicated participation was a little low but she hopes word would get around and participation would increase.

The ninth order of business was an update from Kim Vogel regarding the Pritchett Trust Award. Mrs. Vogel explained the City was awarded \$50,000 a year for the next three (3) years to use toward matching funds on future trails.

Under New Business, Kim Vogel discussed the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education (SNAP-Ed). Mrs. Vogel mentioned this grant is federally funded and can't be used to match funds but could go for items such as bike helmets and bike racks. Deborah McGeorge offered to help look into items this money could be used for.

The next meeting was set for October 6th at noon.

There being no further business Amy Hite moved, seconded by Dick Horton to adjourn the meeting at 12:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Holtzman
Administrative Assistant